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Sunday, April 22 at Holocaust Memorial

Service honoring Jewish veterans

By Cynthia Engel
Ottawa lawyer Mervin Mirsky will be the guest speaker at the Yom Hashoa (Holocaust Remembrance) Service.

The annual observance, coordinated by the Holocaust Remembrance Committee, will take place on Sunday, April 22 at 11 a.m. at the site of the Holocaust Memorial, Jewish Community Cemetery, Bank St. S. at Highway 31.

This year, to mark the 45th anniversary of the liberation, the service will pay tribute to the Jewish war veterans.

Mervin Mirsky enlisted the day war broke out in September, 1939, serving with distinction for six years until his discharge as a lieutenant colonel in 1945.

In the intervening years since



Mervin Mirsky, OBE

the end of WWII, Mirsky has shied away from discussing his wartime experiences, save occasionally with fellow veterans, "usually to share the pleasant things, the funny things."

But recently, the man who

received the coveted Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his contribution to the invasion of 1945, broke his long, self-imposed silence.

The catalyst was the appearance in Ottawa last year of outspoken Holocaust denier David Irving.

"I just had to speak up," Mirsky says, "because I saw it."

In April, 1945, Lt. Col. Mervin Mirsky was serving as a liaison officer with the International Forces working with the Canadian Army. He was on a reconnaissance mission from France into Germany when he 'stumbled upon Bergen Belsen.'

Riding in a jeep headed toward Hamburg on a 'sort of secondary road,' Mirsky and his driver came upon a group of

about 100 women, shoeless and clad only in sacks.

A little further along the road large gates, through which a long line of British trucks was entering, suddenly loomed.

Mystified, Mirsky instructed his driver to enter and, identifying himself to the commander, he was given the run of the place.

"I simply couldn't believe my bloody eyes," the usually softspoken gentleman

remembers.

"It was every bit as bad as any pictures you've ever seen."

In a steady stream the memory emerges, as the former Canadian army officer paints a tragic picture with his words.

"Carting bodies all around on trolley carts and burying them as quickly as they could..."

"The smell was so incredible, one had to admire the British soldiers who were doing a

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Jewish memorabilia on exhibit until Sept.

One of the most ambitious cultural exhibitions ever undertaken in this country officially opened at the new Canadian Museum of Civilization on April 5.

Titled "A Coat of Many Colours," the exhibition is among the first in a series of special presentations on Canadian culture at the Museum.

"A Coat of Many Colours," the history of the Jewish experience in Canada, has been in preparation for three years.

Following its six-month viewing period, from April 5 to September 16, 1990, at the Museum, the exhibition will travel to other major museums in Canada, New York and finally, to Beth Hatefutsoth, the Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv, Israel.

Some 300 artifacts collected from coast to coast explore the rich traditions of Canada's

Jewish community. The history behind many of the artifacts is brought to life through videotaped interviews with their contributors.

The exhibition will be complemented by a book written by Irving Abella, due to be published in April 1990, and a documentary film produced by the CBC for national telecast.

A stamp commemorating Multiculturalism is being issued by Canada Post in conjunction with the exhibition.

"A Coat of Many Colours" explores how the Canadian landscape and multiculturalism have influenced members of the Jewish community in Canada — their experience, one that is shared with other ethnic and cultural groups, offers an insight into what it means to be Canadian.

The exhibition has been sponsored by Seagram.

JSSA 10th anniversary features two prominent guest speakers

The Hon. Barbara McDougall, P.C., M.P., minister of employment and immigration and Ruth Goldbloom, chairperson of the United Way campaign of Halifax-Dartmouth, will be the guest speakers at the Jewish Social Services (JSSA) 10th Anniversary celebration.

The announcement was made by Margo Schwartz Eliany, president of the JSSA Board of Directors.

The event, which will honor the over 400 volunteers who have given of their time and energy to the agency during its first decade, will take place on Sunday, April 29 from 3-7 p.m. at the Museum of Civilization in Hull, Quebec.

The afternoon will be divided into three parts, beginning at 3 p.m. with a tour of the exhibit "A Coat of Many Colours" currently on display, followed by the formal program at 4:30 p.m. in the theatre of the museum and concluding with a reception at 6 p.m. in Salle Marius Barbeau.

The Hon. Barbara McDougall will speak on "The Changing Status in Eastern Bloc Nations and its Repercussions for Immigration."

Ms. McDougall, who holds an Honors BA in Political Science from the University of Toronto, has a rich, varied background ranging from journalism to community activities.

In 1984 she chaired the



Ruth Goldbloom

Salvation Army's Red Shield campaign in Toronto.

She has also served as a director and chairperson of the Community Occupational Therapy Association and as director of the Second Mile Club, a United Way Agency service for senior citizens.

While residing in Vancouver, Mrs. McDougall was involved with the Provincial Prison for Women at Oakhalla, and served as vice-chairperson of the Elizabeth Fry Society of B.C.

In September 1984 she was elected to Parliament, representing the Toronto riding of St. Paul's. Much respected and admired, she was recognized with a Cabinet appointment.

Well known to Canada's eastern seaboard population, Nova Scotia born Ruth Goldbloom has distinguished



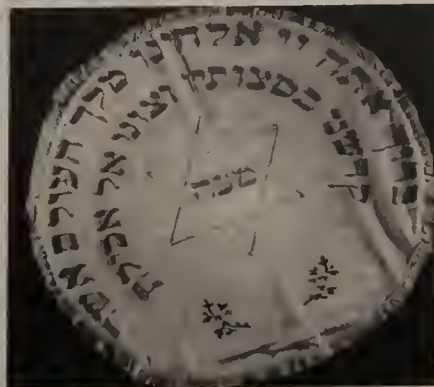
The Hon. Barbara McDougall

herself by devoting her life to the needs of others.

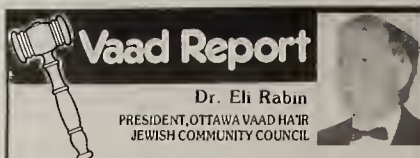
In 1983 the McGill University graduate's efforts in the field of volunteerism earned her the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Center of Advancement and Support of Education, Washington, D.C. As well, a Doctor of Human Letters, Honoris Causa was bestowed on her in 1985 by Mount St. Vincent University and an Honorary LLD from Dalhousie University in 1987.

One of Canada's most distinguished personalities, she will speak on "The Importance of Volunteerism through 'Imagine,'" a new program designed to assist voluntary organizations such as the JSSA, whose strength is in volunteerism.

The community is invited to attend.



Matzo bag hand embroidered by Sally Spindel, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, circa 1920. Loaned to 'Coat' by Dave Spindel.



Vaad Report

Dr. Eli Rabin
PRESIDENT, OTTAWA VAAD HA'IR
JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

SPECIAL CAMPAIGN FOR SOVIET JEWRY — "OPERATION EXODUS"

At the Board of Trustees meeting on Wednesday, March 28th, Dr. Allen Pollack (a consultant to the United Israel Appeal of Canada on education and programming) and Itzhak Kalmanowitz (an authority on the immigration and absorption of immigrants) brought the community up to date with regard to the issues surrounding the movement of Jews from the Soviet Union to Israel. Both are extensively involved with the process and they reported that the numbers of immigrants expected to arrive far exceeds the estimates previously projected and that the costs are more immediate and greater than originally anticipated. A conservative projection of an average of 6000 new arrivals per month in 1990, would put the total for the year at 72,000. Longer range projections refer to hundreds of thousands in the next few years. A major factor which is becoming more significant every day is the threat of anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union. Various nationalist movements are becoming increasingly active; since economic restructuring appears to be failing the Jews become the natural scapegoats. Obviously this leads to uncertainty and fear and the Soviet Jews clearly look to Israel as their means of escape to freedom.

Travel arrangements also present interesting problems. Because of Arab pressure and the threat of terror the Soviet Union has cancelled direct flights from Moscow to Tel Aviv. However Romania, Poland and Hungary have agreed to provide direct flights to Israel. Immigration to Israel by Jews from all over the world has been central to Israel's survival as a nation. Arab threats to Aliyah is viewed as a direct threat to the existence of Israel. This form of opposition to the Jewish settlement of Israel is reminiscent of the Arab pressure of the 1930's which culminated in the famous British White paper. It enunciated a policy forbidding Jews to immigrate to Palestine in the 1930's and 1940's — a policy which directly led to the death of hundreds of thousands of Jews during the second world war. The repetition of the Arab pressure is a cynical reminder of the indifference of governments to the Jewish plight of that era. Fortunately the State of Israel exists and with the help of world Jewry Israel will deflect the heinous policies of a bygone era.

Having encouraged the Soviet Jews to come to Israel, the Jews of Israel and the Jews of the diaspora have undertaken to provide for one of history's greatest challenges. Housing, jobs, retraining, counselling, and many of life's basic necessities have to be provided to help these new Olim. The financial support is being borne by Israel and by Jews throughout the world. Canadian Jewry's commitment has been targeted at approximately \$90 million (Can). The Ottawa Jewish community will be expected to raise at least \$3.5 million (Can). Because of the extreme urgency of the situation the time frame for this commitment may have to be shortened from the original five years to three years. The words of Zvulun Hammer (Israel's Minister of Religious Affairs) summarize our hopes and obligations: "Today before our eyes a new Exodus is taking place. Millions of Jews are clamouring for liberation, not just from the cultural and spiritual repression, but from physical harassment and open threats of pogroms. In order to celebrate Passover today, we must totally identify with their liberation struggle. 'This year', not just Next Year" in Jerusalem, is what all of us must pledge and declare in order for Passover to have relevance and significance for our lives as Jews".

MISSIONS TO ISRAEL

Recently six families comprising 31 people returned from a highly successful first ever "Family Mission". The experience has been described in superlatives such as fantastic, fabulous, unbelievable, wonderful, etc. The Vaad Ha'ir and the United Jewish Appeal of Ottawa are very pleased and will do their utmost to encourage future missions of this type. On April 18th Ottawa Jewish Community U.J.A. mission under the leadership of Sunny and John Tavel leaves for Poland and Israel. Approximately 20 people will participate. We wish them a safe and successful trip.

APPOINTMENT

Josie Finestone has been appointed to the position of full time Director of Community Relations.

PASSOVER

Passover celebrates the deliverance of the Jewish people from bondage to freedom. The Exodus of the Jews from Egypt followed a prolonged and unbearable period of enslavement which ultimately galvanized the Jews into a people clamouring for the freedom to worship their G-d. We are commanded to observe Passover "as if we ourselves are leaving Egypt". The gift of freedom and liberty is paramount to our very existence and the Jewish passion for the protection of rights, freedoms and civil liberties can be traced back to the very roots of our history. May I wish you all a "Freilichen Pesach".

National Executive to attend

CJC planning first-ever series of meetings in Israel next Jan.

For the first time in its seven decade history as the national representative organization of the Canadian Jewish community, Canadian Jewish Congress will hold a week-long series of meetings of its National Executive in Israel next January.

The National Executive Committee of CJC recently adopted a resolution to that effect in Montreal.

Moshe Ronen, chairman of the National Executive Committee, said the decision to put this matter before the Executive came about as a result of an initiative by CJC National Israel Action Committee Chairman Mira Koschitzky. National CJC President Les Scheininger endorsed the idea.

"Members of the National Executive Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress represent constituent organizations reflecting the broad spectrum of Canadian Jewry," Mr. Scheininger said.

"When I was acclaimed president of Canadian Jewish Congress last spring I made it clear that issues facing the State of Israel would be front and centre on our agenda.

The visit of the CJC delegation to Israel last summer was one step.

The planned week of meetings next January opens up an entire new avenue to gather useful information and project the solidarity of Canadian Jewish Congress with the people and the State of Israel, Scheininger said.

While the National Executive Committee of CJC normally

meets about three times a year, Mr. Ronen said the Israel trip will translate into an extended meeting of several days focusing on a wide variety of issues with a specific emphasis on Israel.

Guest speakers

There will be guest speakers from the Israeli government, including the Prime Minister, and visits in the field to gather

facts first-hand on activities related to the CJC agenda, the growing movement of Soviet aliya to Israel and other matters.

In addition to members of the National Executive Committee, members of CJC national standing committees and regional executives will be invited to join the mission and attend the meetings in observer capacities.

Strong background for position

Community relations director is appointed

Gerry Koffman, executive director of the Jewish Community Council, has announced the appointment of Josie Finestone as Community Relations Director.

She assumed the position effective April 2.

A native of Toronto, Josie was assistant director of a United Way Agency serving the elderly in that city and subsequently became involved in leadership development and special services for Jewish singles with Toronto Jewish Congress.

Following her move to Ottawa in 1983, she was responsible for developing the first Ottawa liaison office for Canadian Jewish Congress. In this position she was involved in community and multicultural relations, political liaising and organizing special projects,



Josie Finestone

such as the first Commonwealth of Jewish Federations Conference in Ottawa.

Prior to accepting her new position, she opened Ottawa's first and only independent adult education company in 1987.

Josie is married to Dr. David Finestone.

Service honoring Jewish war vets

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dreadful job just magnificently...

"People from dead to near dead and somewhat alive — dazed — in those terrible uniforms," he shakes his head at the recollection.

What the young officer could not have known on that fateful day in April was that two of the women being liberated were to eventually marry and settle in Ottawa, as Valerie Good and Eva Kardish.

Bergen Belsen confirmed the allies' worst apprehension as to what was actually taking place, Mirsky says.

"We knew that Jews were being rounded up," he says, "but until Bergen Belsen was discovered, we did not know that they were being systematically destroyed."

Mirsky is incensed by the spate of Holocaust naysayers who have surfaced in recent years and is impelled to do whatever he can to set the record straight.

Aware that, to the world population, the Holocaust was not as significant as it was to us as Jews, he has come forward.

"Keeping silent all this time I may not have lived up to my responsibilities on this thing, and the generation that experienced it will eventually be gone," Mirsky says.

His long silence now broken, Mirsky is in full agreement with those who say we should never

stop keeping the memory of the Holocaust tragedy alive.

"What happened can happen again in a crazy war," he says.

Transportation will be available to and from the Jewish Community Centre/cemetery for the Holocaust

Memorial Service. Vehicles will leave 151 Chapel St., on Sunday, April 22 at 10:30 a.m. sharp. Anyone wishing to take advantage of this facility should call the JCC Switchboard at 232-7306 by April 15.

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Rideau View readying course for golfers

It's that time of the year when golfers start to think about, and look forward, to once again trying to hit the little white ball into that small hole on the green.

Rideau View Golf and Country Club starts its 1990 season as one of the best golf clubs in the Ottawa area.

Thirty two years ago Rideau View was created for the purpose of providing members of the Ottawa Jewish Community with the opportunity of playing golf.

Rideau View has no ethnic restrictions and provides a pleasant environment both outside on the course itself and in the social and dining room areas as well.

The coffee shop and dining room provides a well planned menu and arrangements can be made for special events such as birthday parties and wedding

receptions. Rideau View does not permit outside tournaments and is strictly a private membership club, thus providing its members with a quiet, pleasant, warm atmosphere for their enjoyment.

The club will be open for play by the end of April. Anyone interested in visiting the club or requiring more information can make arrangements by contacting Sid Shapiro at 728-7164.

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Commentary

Cynthia Engel
EDITOR

No city on the face of this earth equals the splendour that is Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, Golden City. Yerushalayim Shel Zahav.

The uniqueness, the magnificence that is Jerusalem shines from its every structure, fashioned, each one, from the beautiful Jerusalem stone whose radiance, when viewed from a hilltop, melds into an exquisite panorama, a glimmering whole that stretches into forever and takes your breath away.

Sunday in Jerusalem is wondrous. And Monday and Tuesday. And Wednesday and Thursday.

And especially Erev Shabbat, when men and women scurry along the streets clutching a dazzling array of fresh cut flowers purchased from the myriad stands that seem to pop up from nowhere onto Ben Zion Square and its winding arteries, only to close down at 2:30 p.m. sharp, with every other shop large and small, as Jerusalemites prepare to greet the coming sabbath.

And, if you are very quick, you'll walk or grab a taxi over to the Kotel to bench lean and join in, or just drink in, the sight of hundreds of Jews davening kabbalat shabbat and maavir, some standing, others gathered around tables that materialize on the plaza for the occasion.

And, be sure to stay to revel in the joy of the yeshiva bochers who, with their teachers, cavort and dance their way to the Wall from their place of learning nearby, and return to their habitat, all the time facing the precious Kotel, to partake of their shabbos meal.

The morrow dawns bringing with it a serenity and calm. Shabbat as it should be, as life slows down to a crawl and Jews of every persuasion, orthodox through reform, fill the streets on foot en route to their synagogues to observe the sabbath in prayer.

And oh! I wish you the most exhilarating experience of all, for nothing, absolutely nothing, can compare with the surge of emotion that propels shameless tears from the eyes when, in The Great Synagogue in Jerusalem, your loved one's name is called out and he rises to carry out the honor here bestowed on him.

Nothing, absolutely nothing, can compare with that marvellous blending of joy and pride as there, in the heart of Jerusalem, in synagogue, on shabbat, you feel your Judaism as never before, see it unfold before your brimming eyes, and you are overwhelmed with the magnitude of it all.

Yerushalayim Shel Zahav, glistering jewel in the Middle East. Golden magnet, ever drawing its scattered people home.

Responsible for programs

New seniors' co-ordinator

Ron Bero, executive director of the Jewish Community Centre, has announced the appointment of Ricki Baker as Co-ordinator of Senior Programs.

In her position, Mrs. Baker will be responsible for all programs involving seniors, including Golden Age, Food for Thought and the new facility, Bet Chavura, scheduled to open Tuesday, April 24.

Ricki is married to Barry Baker. The couple has three children, David, Jonathan and Alex.

She can be reached at the



Ricki Baker
Jewish Community Centre,
232-7306.



Byward Market, Ottawa, 1904. Photo credit: National Archives of Canada.

Freedman family gift will help to preserve community archives

The Ottawa Jewish Historical Society is the recipient of a generous gift of funds given by the grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Jacob Freedman.

The gift will help provide environmental controls for the preservation of records at the community archives, 151 Chapel Street.

Presented after talk

The presentation was made following a talk given by Ottawa realtor Lawrence Freedman before 130 friends and members of the society.

The audience chuckled along with Mr. Freedman as he recounted anecdotes about his grandfather, Jacob Freedman, who established the first Canadian wholesale produce business at the Byward Market in 1894.

Jacob Lerner emigrated to New York from Zaslav in the Ukraine in 1884. Mr. Freedman explained that, before coming to Canada in 1890, his grandfather changed his name from Lerner to Freedman, possibly influenced by the Masons, a fraternal organization with which he remained affiliated until his death at the age of 92.

Peddling and trading

Like many early immigrants, Jacob Freedman began by peddling and trading throughout the Ottawa Valley. He soon established himself in the egg and butter trade at 34 1/2 Byward Market Square.

When the Chicago Mercantile Exchange was established in the early 1900s, Jacob Freedman was one of its first members, often importing eggs and other staples from Chicago for the Ottawa market.

Jacob married Leah Phillips in Cornwall, Ontario in 1892. Their son Michael, one of Ottawa's first Jewish children, was born the following year. Their daughters Anne and Jennie were also born in Ottawa.

The successful produce and wholesale grocery business enabled Jacob to purchase property in the Byward Market where he eventually amassed large holdings. He helped family members immigrate to Ottawa where they undertook small produce businesses, often at stores rented from him.

By 1930 a cash and carry

wholesale grocery department, which may have been the first of its kind in Canada, was added to his produce business.

The next meeting of the Ottawa Jewish Historical Society will take place at the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel Street, on Sunday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m., when Sorrell Gwartzman of Toronto will speak about the unique contributions of her parents, Laura and Harold Rubin. Everyone is welcome to attend.

That same year Michael married Anne Smith of Toronto and two sons, Jarvis and Lawrence were born to them. Sadly, Anne died in 1943, a young woman.

Michael married his second wife, Beatrice Glickman, in 1946.

Michael's sister Anne married Isadore Chodikoff. The couple had two children, Marvin and Donald.

Jennie married Dr. Abraham

Glickman. The Glickmans had two daughters, Joyce and Elsa.

Jacob Freedman, who took great pride in the establishment of the State of Israel and the growth of Ottawa as the nation's capital, followed the development of Jewish life in the city with great interest.

To ensure that the charitable endeavours he had supported all his life would derive benefits in perpetuity, the terms of his will created the Jacob Freedman Charitable Foundation, the first Jewish charitable foundation in the city.

Ottawa's two universities, local social institutions and Jewish religious, charitable and educational organizations are supported through this foundation.

Mr. Freedman died in 1957.

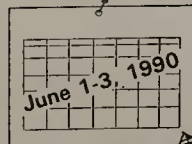
Jacob Freedman's great-grandchildren are: Ann, Joel, Robert, Joan (Meyers), Jacob, Jonathan, Roseanne (Prizant) and Josh Freedman; Richard, David, Glenn, Wayne, Karen Ann and Ian Chodikoff, and Kenneth, Mitchell and Arthur Loeb.



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View from the Pulpit



Redemption: From and To

By Rabbi Arnold Fine

Agudath Israel Congregation

Several weeks ago my wife and I attended a wedding here in Jerusalem. The bride is the daughter of a friend and colleague, who was formerly a director of Camp Ramah-Canada. Practically all of the guests from the bride's side had some kind of Canadian connection, a few even coming from Ottawa. All of us were Ashkenazim, with roots in Eastern Europe, a few generations back.

I almost forgot to mention that this wedding celebrated what Israelis call an intermarriage, the kind we and they encourage. The groom is a member of the Kurdish Jewish community, whose family has lived in Jerusalem for a few generations. The traditions of this young man and his parents are definitely eastern, with an Arabic dialect mixed with the Hebrew. Most of the music and the dancing reflected the ethos of the oriental community and was magnificent.

The ceremony was a bit different from what we know in Ottawa, but all of the essential elements were there. All of the halacha points were covered and no one had any problem saying *Mazel Tov* in Ashkenazi or Sephardi accented Hebrew.

Hearing that I am living near him in Jerusalem, the groom's father invited me to daven in his shul since it is close to my house. I will get there soon, for it is on the list of synagogues in our neighbourhood, each unique, each with its own approach to prayer. Initially I might feel some disorientation but in a few minutes, I am comfortable with what is happening. This is the strength and the unity of the Jewish people and of Israel.

A few weeks ago I was privileged to participate in the Bar Mitzvah of Adam, previously from our community, on Masada, and he shared it with a Russian youngster. This new immigrant speaks passable Hebrew and seems to be going through a good integration into Israel. My task was to go over what was to happen and to make sure he knew the basics. My approach to him was based upon what I think Adam and our other Ottawa kids know. I started off with talit, tefillin, the Sefer Torah. What was evident was that I began at too advanced a stage and I had to start with more fundamental concepts. The pressures of the society in the U.S.S.R. and perhaps lack of parental knowledge meant he has little notion of Judaism, unlike the other young people from Ottawa, who were with us on Masada. My efforts started his questions and hopefully we will maintain the contact and continue the process. It was as if he was one of the four sons in the Haggadah of Passover. He didn't have the information sufficient to ask questions and I had to open up the subject for him.

This youngster's physical absorption is going well, but he, like a large number of Russians here, has large gaps in his knowledge and Jewish experience. Their physical redemption, their exodus from the Soviet Union, has brought them physical and political security, but that is only the beginning. Many also have to learn about the world of the Jew, so they can join the universe of discourse with all of us, despite our great number of traditions, something which was not a problem for the Kurdish community or most of the rest of us, especially from the West.

Since we are now in the middle of Pesach preparation, I remind our *geulah*, our redemption from Egypt was only a beginning and we required forty years in the desert to be ready for the redemption to Eretz Israel, to create the concepts, the state of mind and the perceptions, which would unite us.

The great and blessed influx of the family from the U.S.S.R. is putting pressure on Israel and upon us to meet the enormous physical, spiritual and cultural requirements of these people and we don't have forty years for these critical and vital aspects to develop, so that these people can comfortably interact with Israelis from Kurdistan, Canada or with Jews from anywhere. Hopefully this first real Pesach for many of them will bring a sense of redemption and connectedness.

Chevy, Alieza and Shira join me in Jerusalem along with Ilana, Dani and Heidi in Canada in wishing each of you Hag Kasher V'Sameach. Blessings from Jerusalem.

Rabbi Fine is currently on sabbatical in Jerusalem.

Theft preventative

Rabbi urges Torah registration

Rabbis and lay leaders throughout the U.S. have been advising their synagogues to register their Torahs and other holy scrolls as protection against theft, it was recently reported by Rabbi Emanuel

Holzer, president of the Universal Torah Registry.

The heightened interest in the Registry comes as a result of the recent arrest of a suspect in connection with the theft of 15 Torahs throughout the nor-

theastern United States.

"There is little doubt in our minds that had these Torahs been registered, they would have never been stolen," said Rabbi Holzer.

The rabbi explained that registering a Torah is a very simple procedure which consists of a series of unique microperforations applied to key locations in the Torah scroll.

The registration process has been approved by leading halachic authorities.

The most important advantage of the registration process is the deterrent effect. Observing a Universal Torah Registry warning decal on a member synagogue, thieves don't even attempt to steal the Torah scrolls.

"Since the inception of the registry, not one registered Torah has ever been stolen," Rabbi Holzer said.

Rabbi Holzer urged synagogues to demand a Certificate of Registration when purchasing a Sefer Torah and all scribes (sofrim) to register their Torahs as soon as they are completed.

Two agencies co-hosting lunch and bridge fundraiser

The Ottawa Talmud Torah Board and Hill Lodge will co-sponsor the Second Annual Lunch & Bridge on Tuesday, May 1 at Agudath Israel Synagogue, 1400 Coldrey Ave. Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Mah Jong, canasta and any other card or board games can be played as long as players assemble their own tables. Master points will be available for those players who want them. Both duplicate and rubber

bridge will be played. The afternoon will feature door prizes as well as the awarding of trophies for the winners.

The proceeds from the afternoon will be directed toward the Ottawa Talmud Torah Board and Hill Lodge. A tax receipt will be issued.

Tickets at \$18, each, or further information, can be obtained from Ricki Baker at 726-1566; Doris Bronstein at 723-7807; or Simmie Gardner at 722-6195.



From Soup to Nuts

By Donna Karlin



After receiving many requests for everyday, family dishes for Pesach, of course something different, quick and easy to prepare and delicious, (talk of asking for the impossible!), this is what I came up with:

Granola

This is a wonderful breakfast cereal for the family. Walnuts or pecans can be substituted for the almonds; chopped apricots, dates or prunes can be substituted or added to the raisins. Add some grated orange rind if you want; experiment!

2-1/2 cups matzo farfel 1/4 cup brown sugar
1 cup coconut 1/4 cup honey
1 cup coarsely chopped, 1/2 tsp. salt
blanched almonds 1/2 cup raisins
1/4 cup margarine (1/2 stick) Cinnamon as flavouring (optional)

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Combine the farfel, coconut and chopped nuts in a medium-sized bowl. Spread on lightly greased cookie sheet. Bake 15-20 minutes, tossing several times until mixture is lightly toasted. Meanwhile, in a saucepan, combine margarine, brown sugar, honey and salt (add cinnamon, if using). Bring to a simmer, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Add the toasted mixture to the syrup mixture. Mix well, making sure to coat evenly. Spread the coated mixture on the greased cookie sheet. Raise temperature to 350 degrees, and bake mixture for 20-25 minutes, stirring frequently, until golden brown. Remove from oven. Transfer to a large mixing bowl. Stir in the raisins and break up any large clumps. Cool thoroughly and store in an airtight container. Yields about 4-1/2 cups.

Pizza Soufflé

5 matzos Garlic powder (optional)
Water 3/4 lb. white cheese, sliced
10-1/2 oz. tin tomato sauce 2 large eggs
with mushrooms 1 cup milk
Onion powder (optional) Butter for the pan
Lightly butter 9x13" pan. Wet the matzos lightly with water. Fit 2-1/2 matzos on the bottom of the pan. Cover with half the tomato sauce. Cover with the sliced cheese. Cover the cheese with the remaining matzos. Pour over the remaining sauce. Sprinkle the top with onion and garlic powder (if using). In a medium-sized bowl, beat the eggs well with the milk. Pour over the matzos. Bake in a preheated 375 degree oven for 30 minutes or until the custard is set. Let rest 10 minutes before cutting. Serves 6-7.

Eggplant, Cheese and Tomato Casserole

Wonderful as a main dish or as a side dish for fish. It can be prepared ahead of time and refrigerated. Bake before using.
1-1/2 lb. eggplant, unpeeled, 1/2 tsp. pepper
cut into 1/2" slices 1/2 tsp. sugar
10-1/2 oz. tin tomato sauce 1 Tbsp. chopped parsley
1 Tbsp. ketchup or tomato 2-3 cups grated hard aged
puree cheese (225-350 g)
1/2 tsp. salt Oil for grilling eggplant

Sprinkle eggplant slices with salt. Place in a colander and leave for 30 minutes to drain. Rinse well and pat dry. Preheat broiler. Cover the bottom of a jellyroll pan with a film of oil. Dip each eggplant slice in the oil, then turn over to coat both sides. Broil until golden brown on both sides. Drain on paper towels. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Grease a casserole dish, at least 1-1/2 inches deep, with oil. Mix together the ketchup or puree, tomato sauce, seasonings and parsley. Layer the eggplant, sauce and cheese, repeating until all the ingredients are used, ending with the cheese. Bake for 30 minutes or until golden brown.

If desired, a milder, white cheese can be used to give an "eggplant parmigiana taste".

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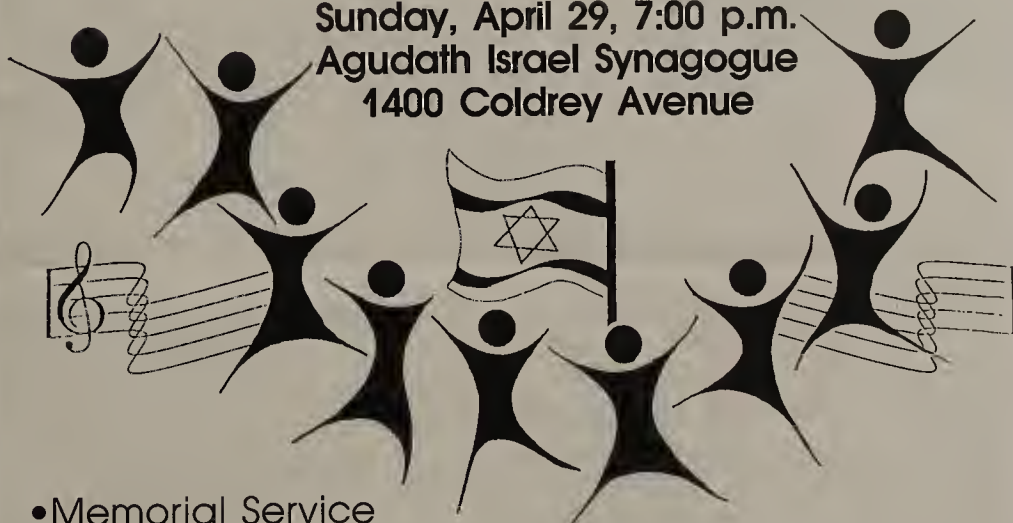
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Book Review

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Scorpions for Sale

By Larry Zolf

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Veteran journalist and CBC current affairs producer, author of *Dance of the Dialectic*, *Survival of the Fattest* and *Just Watch Me: Remembering Pierre Trudeau*, Larry Zolf has enthralled Canadians with his intelligence and vibrant wit for over three decades.

This feisty Winnipeg-born Jew has mythologized his hometown as well as himself, continuously drawing on the good old days, growing up Jewish in Winnipeg's North End.

Closer look

Now, Zolf gives readers a closer look at the facts through what he calls a "fictional biography."

The memoir is a series of loosely-linked tales of a particular North End Jewish family, the "Shtarkers." (is this a pun, one wonders?)

Daniel, a thinly disguised Zolf, tries to eek meaning out of the past by describing it with documentary detail, brushing history with what he thinks every good Jewish writer should be loaded with: a strong social conscience and a deliberate and uncontrollable desire for fantastical embellishment.

Who wants to see the world as it really is, appears to be Zolf's guiding premise.

Master at parody

Zolf is a master at exaggeration and parody. Perhaps the best example is his chapter in which he tells the story of Daniel Shtarker's decision to marry a Gentile.

Daniel's father, mother and siblings are plunged into a deep depression. He expects their disappointment which, he explains, has to do with the great fear that the Jewish people will not survive.

It is Jewish peoplehood, the very essence for the mandate of a continuing civilization that plagues the contemporary Jewish heart.

Daniel can only deal with his family's concerns by turning their legitimate fears into the ultimate absurdity.

Descendants metamorphose

In several pages of bizarre genealogy, Daniel's descendants metamorphose into three black hairy tomatoes. Zolf is funny enough to have his readers believe that the three black hairy tomatoes might still be Jewish.

What this fictional biography reflects is a great love for one's Jewish upbringing. Zolf has retold his youth, replete with stories of his parents, relatives and friends with a profound respect bordering on the absolute.

His comments on the Canadian mosaic which nurtured his beginnings are still timely. Daniel Shtarkers says of his father Menachem's pursuit of Canadian identity: "When the German loses his colonies, he blames the Jews. When the Russian loses his crop gambling, he says it's the Jews who



Larry Zolf

stack the deck. But when a Canadian loses, which is often, he only blames himself. Canadians self loathing is a full-time business. They have no time to hate the Jews."

Still, in a chapter called The Great Debate, where Stella Park in Winnipeg parallels Speakers' Corner in London, a

sect, The British Israelites, "accuse Menachem's father and his 20,000 fellow Jews of not being Jews at all but really Asiatics, perverted and demented, offspring of a remote Tatar kingdom in the Ural Mountains. These so-called Jews were really Khazars; the Anglo-Saxons on the other hand were The Ten Lost Tribes and the only true Israelites."

Menachem argued impressively. He recited the glorious relationship of the Jewish people with the British Empire. He cited the contributions of Rothschild and Disraeli.

Audience spellbound

The audience was spellbound but still not convinced until Menachem Shtarkers concluded: "If the British Israelites are right, and the Anglo-Saxons are the real Jews, why is Hitler not after them instead of us?"

While this current offering is more memoir than fiction, Zolf is obviously passing through a transitional period.

The halfway point has produced a delightfully honest and humorous look at Jewish Winnipeg in the thirties and forties.

It makes Zolf fans yearn for more, that leap into the short story or novel that he is just on the edge of making.

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Yael Dayan speaking on ME peace prospects

By Gabriella Goliger

Prominent Israeli author and journalist Yael Dayan will give a talk, as the guest of Ottawa Friends of Peace Now, on Monday, April 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel St. Admission is \$3.00.

Her topic will be "The Middle East: Prospects for Peace." Ms. Dayan, 51, is eminently well suited to speak about Israeli peace and security issues. Daughter of the late general Moshe Dayan, she was raised in a family at the centre of Israeli political life during the state's crucial formative decades.

In 1956, after leaving university, she enlisted in the Israeli Army before her conscription was due and completed a two-year term.

During the Six-Day War she served as an army officer and as a war correspondent. Her familiarity with the reality of war and the complexities of Israeli existence provided material for a string of novels.

Her first, *New Face in the Mirror*, was published in 1959, followed by *Envy the Frightened*, *Dust*, *Death Had Two Sons* and *Three Weeks in*

October.

She has also written books of non-fiction. *Sinai Diary* (1967) is a personal account of the Six-Day War, and her most recent book *My Father His Daughter* explores her relationship with her father.

Today, Dayan is a regular contributor to Israeli and international newspapers. She is a member of the Central Committee of the Israeli Labour Party and continues to serve in the Israeli Army Reserve.

She is also currently studying biochemistry in Tel Aviv, where she lives with her husband, General Dov Sion, and their two children.

In recent years, Dayan has become a leading Peace Now activist. She was a keynote speaker during a demonstration last fall which brought Israelis and Palestinians together and included West Bank Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini.

"Faisal Hussini's father and my father fought each other to the death," she told the rally.

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The spirit of Yom Ha'Atzmaut will be arriving in Ottawa in a big yellow bus.

From the moment 43 young Israeli folk dancers from Montreal, a troupe called "Shorashim", land until their performance at the 42nd Anniversary Celebrations Sunday, April 29, they will be injecting the local community with their dance-enthusiasm.

Many Ottawans will recognize their enthusiastic faces as they perform on the bimah of Agudath Israel Congregation.

the age of its dancers, bases its style upon Israeli performance standards.

Director/choreographer Jeff Simboli starts students off at age five with correct dance steps and terminology. Emphasis is placed on understanding the music, the meaning of Israeli songs and their interpretation in dance.

Simboli, 35, a native Montrealer who discovered Israeli dance at a time when an injury had cut him off from playing university football, has pursued the interest to the point where

spiritual importance of the State of Israel and Jerusalem will be portrayed.

Simboli says he feels that dance is a way for the children

to learn about the roots or "shorashim" of Israel and the Jewish people.

"It becomes a labour of love for them," he says.

"Just watch the expressions on their faces as they dance, their excitement. The music and the dance has given meaning to the children."

Participants in Teen Shabbaton enjoy busy, informative weekend

By Arielle Elbaz

Approximately 25 teenagers from various high schools in Ottawa gathered at the Jewish Youth Library in early March for a Shabbaton with Dr. David Lazerson, from Brooklyn, New York.

Accompanied by his son Aharon-Moshe, Dr. Laz, as we called him, was the special guest speaker and entertainer. The general theme of the weekend, organized by Dr. and Mrs. Yossi Caytak, was: "Sex, Drugs, Rock 'n' Roli... Judaism???"

The participants learned a lot from the lectures and the discussion groups. Games and storytelling sessions kept everyone interested from Friday evening to late Saturday night.

After services on Friday at the Young Israel Synagogue, we had a lecture by clinical psychologist Dr. Peggy Kleinplatz during dinner. Then, we proceeded to the home of Shirley Halpern in order to listen to Dr. Laz's incredible stories.

About midnight, everybody returned to the Jewish Youth Library for a good night's sleep.

On Saturday morning the



Dr. Laz and his son Aharon-Moshe perform a 'Jewish Rap Concert' at the Jewish Youth Library.

Teen Services, led by Dr. Laz, were followed by a Rap session with the Lazersons, during the lunch period.

In the afternoon, we had a discussion on "Sex and Judaism in a modern society." We then proceeded to the home of Berel and Ali Rodal for more refreshments and a talk on Nazi war criminals by Mrs. Rodal.

After Havdala, we had a great night of entertainment and folk music performed by the Lazersons. A superb performance, accompanied by a delicious pizza and ice-cream, that continued late into the night.

A most enjoyable shabbaton. We hope more such successful weekends can be organized in Ottawa.

From the moment the folk dancers arrive, they will be injecting the community with their enthusiasm

The troupe will spend Friday, April 27 conducting Israeli folk dancing workshops for children at Hillel Academy. They also plan to host a Saturday night Dance Party for children in the community where they will "let their hair down" and dance with them out of costume.

On Yom Ha'Atzmaut following the siren dividing the Yom HaZikaron and Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebrations, Shorashim will join the parade. After the formal program, they will lead the community in Israeli dancing — geared to all ages and levels.

The group of seven to 15-year-olds, acclaimed in Montreal and in broader Canadian and U.S. Israeli dance circles for its polish and ability beyond

he now teaches 13 dance classes a week, is president of the Canadian Council for Israeli Folk Dance, co-directs the Montreal Folkdance Camp which attracts over 100 adults from Canada, the U.S. and beyond, and directs Shorashim which performs and conducts workshops for others at a steady rate.

He studied Israeli dance in Israel with a number of specialists in different modes. His choreography for the Yom Ha'Atzmaut celebrations reflects traditional, Negev, Yemenite, kibbutz and modern Israeli forms of folk dance.

Varicous suites, done in these styles, will be linked by narration done by the children. Themes dealing with aliyah, pioneering, the religious and

Special Feature

Canada: on the wrong side in Israel's conflict

By Robert Fulford

CANADA'S slow but steady movement away from sympathy for Israel and toward sympathy for the Palestine Liberation Organization must be one of the most curious developments in the history of Canadian foreign relations. As a people we were never fiercely committed to Israel, but the actions of our government since 1948 have given the Israelis good reason to believe that, at bottom, we favored their cause and probably always would. Since the beginning of the intifada in 1987, that support has grown shakier, and even with serious peace talks imminent we hesitate to back Israel. We judge the Israelis, and judge them harshly, while we look hemingly and with bright hope on their enemies.

Even when you take into account all those horrifying TV pictures of Israeli soldiers trying to put down the intifada, this change in Canadian attitudes isn't easy to explain. After all, Israel is a democracy, like Canada. It's highly imperfect, of course, as free societies tend to be; and as it fights for its existence it violates some of its principles, the way democracies at war inevitably do. But its institutions — parliament, free press, independent courts — make it the only society in the Middle East that could in any way be compared with Canada.

The PLO, on the other hand, has operated from the beginning as a gang — a violent gang of thugs if you're opposed to it, a violent gang of independence-seeking progressives if you admire it. To this moment, the PLO keeps its followers in line by murder; its nature was demonstrated last year by Yasser Arafat when he said, "Any Palestinian leader who proposes an end to intifada exposes himself to the bullets of his own people. The PLO will know how to deal with him."

Under American pressure, however, the PLO said last year that it could coexist peacefully with Israel and, amazingly, the world quickly declared its belief in this change of heart. After Ottawa decided to talk openly with the PLO, an External Affairs official explained it as simply as if he were reciting the

multiplication table: "They've accepted Israel's right to exist, accepted a two-state solution, eschewed violence and terror." If the Israelis suggest that certain suspicions are justified and certain safeguards necessary, we Canadians, with our superior knowledge of such matters, will correct them.

By now, of course, we know more about Israeli injustice to Palestinians than about almost any other injustice in the world. All across the Middle East, conflict abounds; but we seldom learn the intimate details of it, even when (as with Iran-Iraq) it erupts into serious long-term warfare. Recently, Ruth Wisse of McGill University mentioned in an article for *Commentary* magazine a time when the Syrians were bombarding Beirut. "That morning, our daily newspaper had reconfirmed, through its silence about what was going on in Lebanon, that an Arah is of human interest only if he is threatened by a Jew."

There is a myth in Canada, as in the U.S., that Israel has a powerful lobby and that Jewish votes produce pro-Israel pressure on politicians. Bob Hepburn in the *Toronto Star* recently spread the myth further by writing that "the pro-Israeli lobby evokes fear and intimidation at the White House," while simultaneously and paradoxically reporting that the U.S. is weakening from its pro-Israel policy. Last year the *Star*, in a report from Ottawa, approvingly quoted an Arah diplomat's remark that "Canada does not have a Middle East foreign policy, it has a domestic policy on the Middle East." In other words, Jewish voters call the tune. But the truth is that, of 295 parliamentary seats, there are six in which more than 10% of the voters are Jews. That may be a hloc, but not a big hloc; and this year there is no sense in which it could be called powerful.

...the powerful strain of anti-Semitism that once existed in Canada is still with us, and has found a new way to express itself.

That's an astounding point, but altogether true. If an Arab is killed by an Arah, no one far away is likely to hear about it; if an Arah is killed by a Jew, however, it may make CBS. "Jews are news," wrote Charles Krauthammer in *Time* magazine last month. He cited a page in the *International Herald Tribune*, about two years ago, that had a seven-columns-wide story, "Israeli Soldier Shot to Death; Palestinian Toll Rises to 96." Next to it, in the eighth column, a tiny story reported an Iraqi gas attack that killed 5,000 Kurds. In that same piece Krauthammer asked: "How many know that this year as many Palestinians have died at the hands of Palestinians as at the hands of Israelis?" My guess is, almost nobody.

There are two simple explanations for our turn against Israel, one of them innocent and one of them ominous. The innocent explanation is that Israel, being an open society, has allowed us to see its faults in a way no other state in the Third World has done. The ominous explanation is that the powerful strain of anti-Semitism that once existed in Canada is still with us, and has found a new way to express itself. Whatever the reason, our muddled reactions over the last two years have left us embracing a terrorist mob and distancing ourselves from a country that has every historic right to our friendship.

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The rewards of her gentleness and kindness were strange

Sister Pop: a very special WWII remembrance

By Mervin Mirsky

The Spring of 1945 came to a divided Holland — one half just liberated by the 1st British Army and the other half writhing under the oppression of the "holed up" German defending force.

Separated by the Rhine and a no-man's land area running north to the Zuider Zee, both forces awaited the pending battle.

Canadian Army Headquarters had just been set up in the quiet, typical town of Breda — its inhabitants still dazed and bewildered by its sudden liberation. And so Captain Samuel Cass, the Jewish Chaplain attached to headquarters decided to spend this brief respite with a hit of exploring.

Wandering through the austere suburbs, Captain Cass stumbled upon the town's only synagogue. Part of the roof had disappeared, no glass remained in the windows, and nothing remained inside but the benches and the damaged altar.

But inspiration came to Captain Cass for it was Spring and but a few days away from Passover. Then and there he decided to hold the first Jewish service in this synagogue in Holland since the Germans' invasion in 1940.

The service was announced through Army Routine Orders — and on a quiet day in April 1945 I made my way into this pathetic, dishevelled house of prayer. The place was filled to

overflowing.

Poles from the Polish Armoured Division, a few Czechs, British "Tommies," and the Canadians. Under Captain Cass's direction a Polish hoy mounted the altar as the "cantor" — and from a hushed silence the traditional Jewish Passover service mounted in a hum through the chilled space.

And then my eyes were unintentionally diverted to a pathetic little figure at the doorway. There she stood pausing at the entrance — grey haired, bespectacled, stooped, clasping the tiny hands of the two little children that flanked her.

Strange procession

As if fearing to intrude she hesitated — and then she moved forward to an empty standing place. But she was just the start of a strange procession, for behind her came two more children and then two more, until I counted eleven children, with a charming girl of about 16 bringing up the rear.

As they clustered together in a little knot in awed silence, I observed the children. Each was dressed in true "Sunday best" style — their faces scrubbed bright and their hair plastered down with obvious loving care. Only their little wooden boots indicated the limitation of the effort. Eight were girls — ranging in ages from about nine to four. The three boys were about five, four

and three.

When the strains of the last prayer was over, I elbowed my way through to this strange group to satisfy my curiosity. This is what I found out then — and from the many subsequent visits that I made to see Sister Pop — the name of this wonderful lady.

Devout Roman Catholic

Catherine Pop was a practical nurse of 50 — a devoutly religious Roman Catholic — practising her profession in the then peaceful town of Breda. The rewards for her gentleness and kindness were strange — for the day of the German invasion found her accepting the two little children of a Jewish couple who were fleeing for their lives.

There was no prospect of payment — in fact the penalty for harbouring Jews was the Concentration Camp — but her answer was dictated by God and she accepted her charges. A few nights later she accepted two more Jewish children.

Until now she knew the parents of these children and so kept a secret record of their names. But as word got around, and conditions became more urgent and desperate, she would open her back door in the mornings and find one or two more children sitting there with no indication of their identity and so young as to be incapable of pronouncing their own names.

Brood grew

Soon her brood grew to 14 — three of the youngest just infants. To help her was her fosterchild — 12-year-old Christina, a sturdy, beautiful child with a heart and spirit to match that of Sister Pop.

In fear of revealing the presence of "her children" to the Germans, Sister Pop had to conceal them even from her neighbours. For more than four years these 14 children were kept in the modest little brick house. They were fed from the meagre ration books of Sister Pop and Christina and from

whatever else they could huy with their pitiful income.

Little suits and dresses were made from old clothes — and even from curtains and tablecloths. The babies had to be nursed and diapered — the elder children taught their lessons. All this was done with the love and patience that only the most devoted parents could bestow.

I wrote of all this to my brother in Ottawa, Canada. He happened to produce my letter at a meeting of his men's club — the Montefiore Club — and then things started to happen. The Club decided to "adopt" Sister Pop and her family — and eager hearts set to work.

Parcels addressed to me of food and clothes started to arrive — first by two's and three's and then 30 and 40 at a time. I shall never forget driving up to the little house on Breda-Loan in a jeep loaded to the limit with parcels, to be met with a burst of squeals and laughter at the gate. Sister Pop and Christina would stand at the doorway with serene smiles, direct the unloading to the new "storehouse."

The final battle for Holland started and we moved on.

I never did get to the little house on Breda-Loan, but for years I kept in touch with Sister Pop.

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The 3rd Age

Stephen Schneiderman
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Sorry

I had a dream one night and awoke crying. In this dream I was talking to my Zadi. He was seated at the kitchen table in his duplex home on Carleton Avenue in Montreal. I told him I was sorry. Sorry that I didn't come to visit him often enough. I told him I figured since he had so many grandchildren and great-grandchildren who dropped in to see him, he didn't have the time to be lonely. My grandfather (typically) unperturbed by my unthinking statement just smiled and said that he understood. He told me "You want to look at the future and with me all you can see is the past."

With those words I awoke tearful, in a cold sweat and realized he was gone — reduced to a snapshot in my mind's eye, forever seated at that kitchen table.

I couldn't help but think that I was the one who was lonely for my Zadi and how much I wished he could come back.

My grandfather, Sam Yudin passed away in 1985 in his 99th year. We all thought he would live forever. He was lucid until the very end. I went to see him just before he died and he said something very strange to me. I thought that this was due to his medication. He said, "Don't forget." I remember asking, "Forget what, Zadi?" He answered me, "You'll see." For most people a blanket statement like that is easy to dismiss. It wasn't until years later that it began to hit home and I was able to piece his ("apparent") disjointed comment together.

For years they teased my Zadi Sam. They would call him Reb Shloime. The teasing was due to his uncanny knack for prophecy. He would survey a situation and predict what often came true.

So here I sit at my desk at Hillel Lodge charged with the responsibility of *not forgetting* about the elderly. To me, my job is more than that, I cannot let you forget about them either. I figure it wasn't my grandfather who was confused that day, it was me.

Coincidence, you think, guilty conscience. Maybe. But if you even have the slightest twinge of doubt, I urge you to come and visit your Bubis and Zadis at the Lodge because when you're old, sorry usually comes a little too late.

All day Spring 'perk up' program for women Apr. 25

The Agudath Israel Sisterhood Program Committee has planned a whole day devoted to 'You and Spring' on Wednesday, April 25 at 1400 Coldrey Ave. The day begins at 10 a.m. with Roberta of Simply Scarves and features Doreen Keir, who will speak on "Lifestyle Choices".

Doreen has been the fitness instructor at the JCC west-end fitness class for the past 18 years and has had extensive experience as lifestyle consul-

tant for Sandor Associates. In addition, she is in her 15th year as a violinist with the Ottawa Symphony Orchestra.

Fitness and leisure wear fashions will be shown by Body Art Activewear and by Joanne Gold of Ottawa.

Refreshments will be served in the morning and a light luncheon served at 12:00 noon.

The cost for the day is \$15.00. The deadline for reservations is Monday, April 23.

To reserve call Agudath Israel at 728-3501.

Monte Carlo's wealthy Jews find there's a snake in every Eden

By Tamar Levy

MONTE CARLO, Monaco (JTA) — The 50 Jewish families who live permanently in Monaco have one thing in common: they are all extremely wealthy.

They gravitated to this tax haven from far corners of the world precisely because their wealth is untouched by any statutory authority.

The affable climate and remarkable natural beauty are other factors. So, too, is the glamor the very name of the place conjures and the untroubled way of life.

But there is a snake in every Eden.

Even in Monte Carlo, which has no burglars, no poor and the mode of transportation is by Rolls Royce and Jaguar, anti-Semitism is prevalent.

Leaflets marked with swastikas were found here recently. One read: "Dirty Jews, you are always present" and threatened them with "bombs and explosives" if they didn't leave Monaco. It was signed with the initials U.N.M.A.J.

The first Jews who arrived in Monaco in 1920, the Wolzok, Saleanik and Witrow families, were of Russian origin.

Between 1960 and 1970, the community was enlarged by the arrival of 50 French Jewish families from North Africa. The families constitute the permanent community and play an active role in the state.

Its leader, the energetic Fernando Levi, arrived from Egypt 20 years ago. He has excellent relations with Prince Rainier, dynastic ruler of the principality.

The Jewish population actually totals about 2,000, but many of them live in Monaco only part-time. Half came here from England, the United States and Canada and are mostly Ashkenazic Jews.

The other half are of French origin, either North African or from the Levant and Italy. Most are Sephardim.

There are also several families from Israel who recently

joined the community.

In 1972, a beautiful synagogue was built with the donations of local Jews on the Rue La Costa on the heights of Monaco. The rabbi is Isaac Amasilem, late of Algeria. Services are conducted in the Sephardic tradition.

School and butcher

Monaco has a Hebrew school with an enrollment of 20, as well as a kosher butcher.

Organizations are represented as well: B'nai Brith has 60 members, and WIZO is also active.

Although a large proportion of Monaco's Jews are elderly retirees, there is a youth element. The community runs a "Gan Yeladim," and the local youth is organized in collaboration with the Jewish youth in Nice, the major French city closest to Monaco.

Like other denizens of Monte Carlo, the Jews live their lives in constant travel from one vacation playground to another.

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Sees hope in young Jews

After 70 years Polish rabbi returns to his roots

By David Friedman
WASHINGTON (JTA) — When Rabbi Menachem Joskowicz left Israel 10 months ago for Warsaw to become chief rabbi of Poland, he wanted to revive Judaism in a country that was once a major centre of Jewish life.

"For 2,000 years we didn't have a state, a language," Joskowicz said in an interview during a recent visit to Washington. "Our religion unified us."

That was why he agreed to return to the country where he was born 70 years ago.

When the Polish Ministry of Religion asked Israel's Ministry of Religious Affairs to designate a chief rabbi for Poland, Joskowicz seemed the natural choice.

Born near Lodz, Joskowicz was liberated by the British from the Bergen-Belsen camp in 1945. He and other surviving rabbis established a yeshiva for Holocaust survivors at the camp.

They felt that "the youths, who had gone through the horror of the Holocaust, needed to be brought back to Judaism," Joskowicz said.

In 1947, he illegally entered Palestine, and continued his yeshiva studies that were interrupted by World War II.

Joskowicz also married, and he and his wife have four sons and three daughters, all married.

But as he prospered in Israel, first with a pharmacy and then a frozen food business, Joskowicz continued his contacts with former students at

the yeshiva in the liberated concentration camp.

Until Joskowicz arrived in Poland, there was no chief rabbi there. He found a community of some 5,000 Jews, of whom about 2,000 are elderly Holocaust survivors.

For them, Joskowicz says, his role is "to strengthen and fortify religious life, because that is what kept Jews together."

The elderly people were registered as Jews because they receive aid from the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee in Warsaw, Lodz, Krakow and other cities.

But most young Jews did not publicly identify themselves as Jews, Joskowicz said.

He said extensive media coverage of his arrival in Warsaw stimulated an interest in the young people.

While only about 20 elderly people attend the two daily minyanim he has instituted at the Warsaw synagogue, Joskowicz said 80 to 100 persons, including many young people, attend Shabbat services.

Joskowicz plans to publish a sidur in Polish so the young people can understand the services.

He has also established a kindergarten, where 21 children are registered, and hopes a religious school will follow.

Joskowicz is also building a mikva, and would like to establish a kosher restaurant for residents and tourists.

Kosher food is a major problem. A shoebat from Hungary visits the various cities once a

month to slaughter meat, but Joskowicz said that since there are no mashgichim in the butcher shops, he cannot justify it as kosher.

He hopes to have mashgichim soon.

In speaking of the past, Joskowicz recalled that Poland had 3.5 million Jews before the war, and that he wants to perpetuate the memory of this lost Jewish culture, including preserving synagogues and cemeteries.

But most of all, he wants to make sure the small number of Jews left do not assimilate.

Young Polish Jews are thirsting to regain the Jewish identity which they never had, Joskowicz said.

But they are also worried that by identifying themselves as Jews, other Poles will look at them differently, and this could result in their becoming targets

of anti-Semitism.

Joskowicz seemed ambivalent about whether Poland would again be fertile ground for anti-Semitism. He noted that the new freedom in Poland has increased anti-Semitic expressions, as it has in other East European countries. But he sees hope in young Poles, who, he feels, are too educated to believe the slander against Jews that was once so prevalent in Poland.

He said the Polish government has been supportive of him since his arrival, and he has been welcomed by Catholic religious leaders as well.

Joskowicz believes one of the most important events since his arrival in Poland was his participation last November in the visit to Auschwitz of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. He was invited at Kohl's request and recited kaddish.

Joskowicz said he believed the ceremony, in which he was seen on television as an identifiable rabbi, symbolized that Kohl, as the representative of the German people, was taking the German guilt on his shoulders.

"It was like throwing Mein Kampf into the crematorium," the chief rabbi said.

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The group was also

welcomed by James Bartleman, Canadian Ambassador to Israel.

A major highlight of the tour was the dedication of the Norman Lesh Forest in the historic Galil region of the country.

Norman Lesh, a senior vice-president of Loeb Inc. was JNF's 1989 Negev Dinner Honouree — a distinction given to prominent Canadians who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership within their communities.

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Bit of immortality

"It will," he says, "allow me to leave a legacy... a little bit of immortality in the Jewish homeland."

Another memorable moment during the mission was the tree-planting ceremony near Moshavi Neve Ilan, where the tour participants were joined by Israeli School children.

The guest of honour at the ceremony was the president of the State of Israel, Chaim Herzog, who explained the importance of Tu B'Shvat as the holiday symbolizing the bond between the people and the land.

Political dignitaries

Tour participants also had the opportunity of meeting many political dignitaries during their 12-day tour, including Minister of Defence Yitzhak Rabin, Minister of Foreign Affairs Moshe Arens; Deputy Prime Minister Shimon Perez; Minister of Tourism Gideon Patt; Mayor of Karmiel Adi Eldar; JNF World Chairman Moshe Rivlin; and Mayor of Jerusalem Teddy Kollek.

Personally involved

"Being part of the Canadian JNF family means the warmth of being part of an organization which enables you to be in



Photographed at the dedication of the Norman Lesh Forest in Israel, left to right: Bob Gencher, Ottawa JNF chairman; Rabbi Meyer Krentzman, executive director Eastern Region; Abe Hanser, Isabel Lesh, Norman Lesh, and Lt. Col. Yaakov Perez, JNF Jerusalem Emissary.

direct contact with the beautiful country of Israel and to be personally involved in reclaiming and developing the land," Neri J. Bloomfield, President of JNF of Canada said.

Morris Ziika, executive vice-president of the Jewish National Fund of Canada expressed his extreme pleasure in the phenomenal success of the tour, and especially the fact

that 60% of the group were people visiting Israel for the first time.

Rabbi Meyer Krentzman, executive director of JNF Eastern Canada and Lt. Col. Yaakov Perez, Jerusalem Emissary, both principal in organizing and leading the tour, have been inundated with phone calls and letters since their return.



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Letter from Israel

from Harry Hurwitz, special adviser to Prime Minister Shamir

Those of us who are in their fifties and upwards have been witness to the end of three empires that had dominated the world stage for years, decades and even centuries. The Third German Reich, whose leaders boasted that it would endure a thousand years, went down in flames and ruins. The forces of evil were literally destroyed by the Allied Armies after more than five years of the most costly war in the history of mankind.

Soon thereafter we saw the first signs of the crumbling of the British Empire on which, for several centuries, the "sun never set". In most cases the British agreed (usually after a painful internal struggle) to leave their former imperial and colonial possessions. The first to go was India, and then there followed in rapid succession country after country — including our own. The British gave up their mandate over Palestine on 14 May, 1948, after 28 years of colonial rule in this country.

And now, we have seen what was almost unimaginable only a short while ago — the disintegration of the Soviet Empire. First, the satellites turned away and overthrew their regimes. Now we see the striving for independence on the part of some of the Socialist Republics — the old ones like Moldavia and Azerbaijan — and the newest ones — Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

A new world order is emerging that will have an impact upon the strategic balance between the two power blocs. Already, it is said that there are no longer two super powers, but only one — the United States which can, if she acts wisely, become the real leader of the world in the next phase of history.

Acting wisely means, among other things, avoiding the mistakes that were committed in the last few decades in Iran and other friendly countries. It means avoiding pressure upon trusted allies. It means not capitulating to the forces of evil and, especially to international terrorism. In the same way as President Bush is leading the fight against the main sources of the evil of drugs, so he should be leading the fight against the sources of terrorism, e.g. the PLO and its associates in many countries.

MIDDLE EAST UNTOUCHED: Naturally, Israel watches all these developments with deep interest — sometimes with concern, and sometimes with fresh hope. The winds of change that have swept through Eastern Europe have not touched the Middle East. Here, the old ingrained notions remain.

Twenty-one sovereign Arab countries continue their 42-year war against the tiny old Jewish state in the world. Nothing has changed. They have learned nothing — or want to learn nothing. Israel is a foreign body that must be removed from the Middle East, which they regard as their own exclusive prerogative. Every now and then an Arab leader beats the war drums, or we hear leaders of the PLO proclaim that all the territory of Palestine from the Mediterranean to the Jordan River belongs to them.

Farouk Kadummi, the "Foreign Minister" of the PLO told the *Boston Globe* in an interview that he disagreed with his leader's attitude (Arafat). He was not prepared for any compromise with Israel. He wants back all the territories the Jews control since 1948. In other words — back to the PLO Charter, which calls for the elimination of the Zionist entity.

STRUGGLE AGAINST IMMIGRATION: But nothing illustrates the PLO's true attitude better than their mobilization of Arab influence and their allies for the struggle against "Jewish immigration into Palestine". They are now mounting a massive worldwide campaign to stop the blessed aliyah from the Soviet Union. They are addressing appeals to all the world leaders. They are convening international conferences. They have called for debates in the United Nations Security Council, and will later bring the issue before the General Assembly.

When you read the words "Stop Jewish immigration into Palestine" in 1990, it is as though you were transported back to 1920 and 1930 and 1940 and 1948. That was the essence of their struggle against Zionism — not to permit Jews to return to their homeland. And, as you know, they exercised great influence on the British who, to satisfy the Arabs, issued their notorious White Paper in 1939 (just prior to the outbreak of World War II when Jews were trying desperately to escape the European continent). The White Paper proposed limiting Jewish immigration to 15,000 per annum for five years and, thereafter, to stop it entirely.

Only the resoluteness of the Yishuv (the Jewish community of Palestine) and the various resistance organizations broke that policy. Immigration was intensified. "Illegal immigration" was introduced. In fact, the struggle was for free immigration of Jews to their homeland. The British used their navy to prevent small vessels that had escaped Europe from reaching the shores of Palestine. A number of the vessels went down and hundreds of lives were lost — the Struma, the Patria for example. Others were stopped and their travellers arrested and sent to detention camps in Palestine or Cyprus.

THE GATES ARE OPEN: Now our circumstances are altogether different. We are sovereign in our own country. From Day 1 of the modern State of Israel every Government of this country has kept the gates open. The struggle of Israel has been for the right of Jews to leave the countries in which they live. The essence of the campaign in the Soviet Union and on the world stage has been the call to "Let My People Go".

As part of the changes I described in the opening paragraphs of this letter, it must be stated that we have won this phase of our struggle. The Soviet authorities have recognized the right of Jews to go to their "homeland", which is Israel. Now that the gates are open, hundreds of thousands of our brethren have submitted applications and want to leave as soon as possible. Please note the following:

• **VISA APPLICATIONS:** The lines outside the Israel Embassy building in Moscow are becoming longer every day. The six-man staff handles more than 2,000 applications daily. Up to the present time the Soviet authorities have refused to increase the number of workers in the Israel Consular delegation.

• **TRANSPORT:** Soviet Jews are leaving by all means available to them — planes, trains, buses and even (small numbers) by boat. Unfortunately, the Soviet political authorities have not confirmed the commercial agreement concluded between El Al and Aeroflot for direct flights between Moscow and Tel Aviv. The immigrants, therefore, have to reach Budapest or Bucharest or other points of departure. New routes are constantly being investigated.

• **ON ARRIVAL:** The immigrants are received at Ben Gurion Airport with song and flowers presented to them by members of youth groups. The paperwork and registration procedures are being constantly reduced and streamlined.

• **HOUSING:** Most of the immigrants opt for "direct absorption", mainly in the centre of the country. This means that they go literally from the airport to their own apartment which, within a few days, has some furniture of their choice, and the minimum requirements for them to start life. The Jerusalem City Council has launched a special program to attract a significant percentage to the capital city.

• **JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** Unlike the earlier phases of Soviet Aliyah, which brought mainly refuseniks who had been dismissed from their place of employment the moment they submitted their application, or thrown out of universities, the 1990 Soviet olim come to Israel almost directly from their jobs in the Soviet Union or their places in the universities. It is, therefore, easier to find employment for certain categories.

• **ATTITUDE:** In the main, the Soviet Jews are happy to be here. They say so privately and publicly. Some have written about it with considerable emotion. One immigrant who was a working journalist in the Soviet Union, describing their flight to Israel, said: "At the break of dawn, the stewardess announced that the aircraft was completing its flight and about to land at Ben Gurion Airport. The news stirred the passengers, who became restless, glued to the windows. Seatbelts were fastened.

"Through the darkness of the night, Israel was beaming to us with a thousand lights. All so suddenly! We held our breath. Some burst into tears. Others with laughter, applause was all about. People were embracing, kissing, congratulating one another.

"I am sure that every single one of us will always remember his feelings of those minutes."

ALL HANDS ON DECK: The organization of this large Soviet Aliyah and the absorption of the olim has become the top priority of the Government and people of Israel. It is all hands

on deck. Many Ministries are involved. Many Government departments. Funds are being made available from the budget, and against the expected contributions of World Jewry. The people of Israel will cover at least 80% of the costs, while the Jews of the world will take care of the rest. All agree that this is an historic opportunity that must not be lost.

While all this is going on, the Government, of course, continues its striving for peace, security and economic progress and stability. U.S. — **PLO TALKS:** In a major address on Sunday, February 18, Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, said that the Americans have come to the conclusion that their talks with the PLO have produced no result. We expected that. The PLO are not interested in peace with Israel. Their objective is to find ways of eliminating Israel, or reducing it to a rump state that will be at the mercy of a threatening Palestinian state backed by a substantial Arab hinterland.

It remains to be seen whether the Americans will realize and concede the futility of such talks, and do what they should have done in the first place — give unstinted backing to the Israel Peace Initiative.

The Peace Process has also caused problems within the Israel Government. One Minister, Ezer Weizmann, was removed from the Inner Cabinet by the Prime Minister because he had contact with the PLO in defiance of a Cabinet decision in that regard. Another Minister resigned — Ariel Sharon — because he believes that the Peace Process will inevitably lead to a Palestinian state and, therefore, cause great danger to Israel. He remains a Likud Knesset Member and has announced his intention to campaign for the leadership of the Party.

On several occasions in recent weeks the Government of National Unity was tested, and survived the internal and external pressures against it. The two main protagonists of this Government appear to be Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who is resisting the agitation within the Labour Party for an immediate break-up of the Government. "We don't have to leave the National Unity Government because Arik Sharon resigned from it", he told a group of Labour Knesset Members who were demanding the break-up of the Government.

IDF EFFECTIVE AGAINST INTIFADA:

There is a growing belief that the intifada is slowing down, and in some respects, petering out. This could be seasonal, or it could be that the Israel Defence Force methods are proving more and more effective. There have been fewer incidents against Israeli forces and citizens, and more attacks on Arabs by Arabs. Almost every day, now, there are horrible stories in the media of Arabs killing "collaborators" in the most brutal manner. Some weeks the ratio of Arabs killed by Arabs was 4:1 as against those who died as a result of Israeli military action.

Of course, this must not encourage complacency within the Israel population, but there is also no need for the pessimism in various circles in regard to the continuing Arab struggle.

EUROPE: Israel's relations with Europe have reached an interesting and, in some respects, paradoxical stage. While the European Community is adopting anti-Israel resolutions, the newly-liberated East European countries are establishing, or renewing, their relations with Israel. Already Hungary and Czechoslovakia have formally renewed relations, and soon Poland will do so when Foreign Minister Arens visits that country. Yugoslavia and Bulgaria have indicated considerable interest in following suit, and the Soviet Union, of course, is expected one day to regularize her relations with Israel.

West Germany has committed itself — during a visit by Foreign Minister Arens — to oppose the plan for the West European Communities' sanctions against Israel.

There is also continuous movement in regard to Israel's relations with African countries. The latest step has been the conclusion of an air agreement between Israel and Kenya, which makes Israel the stop-over for flights from Kenya to Europe.

In many respects the next few months are likely to be dramatic as new opportunities and possibilities open up for large numbers of Jews in different parts of the world and for the state of Israel.

KID LIT

by Deanna Silverman

Kids and the Holocaust: Where and How to Begin?

The Holocaust was a tragedy of such overwhelming proportion that coming to grips with it, even fifty years after the start of World War II, is an ongoing, painfully sad process. But it's a history and process we must face and encourage our kids to face.

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It's an awesome subject. But handled sensitively and with compassion, reading about the Holocaust can result in a profoundly moving affirmation of faith and hope.

The Number on My Grandfather's Arm
By David A. Adler
Family photographs by Rose Eichenbaum
UAHC Press 1987
28 pages Ages 5-8
Supplied by the publisher.

The Tattooed Torah
By Marvell Ginsburg
Illustrated by Jo Gershman
Union of American Hebrew Congregations 1983
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promise of a new spring: the Holocaust and renewal.
By Gerda Weissmann Klein
Illustrated by Vincent Tartaro
Rossil Books 1981
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The characteristic common to these three books is simplicity of style. But that simplicity conceals razor-sharp

artistic choice and exquisitely delicate, heartwarming writing, illustrating and photographic skills.

Each book uses a unique storytelling and illustrating approach. Yet each stretches imagination, extends experience and increases emotional awareness with sensitivity, compassion and, in the end, hope.

• **The Number on My Grandfather's Arm** creates a secure setting and a loving relationship for a first person account of the Holocaust.

Grandpa, a helpful, sympathetic man, who always answers his granddaughter's questions, wears long sleeves all year round. But one night he rolls up his sleeves to wash dishes and his granddaughter sees the number on his arm. "What's that?" she asks. Sitting side-by-side on the couch, he answers in grim, straightforward detail.

Supportive, comforting "family pictures" are interspersed with three photos from World War II. This technique provides the emotional support and physical affirmation of security and love that allows the child to cope with what she hears and feels and the shared silence afterwards.

• **The Tattooed Torah** is based on the true story of the discovery, restoration and re-dedication of a small Czechoslovakian children's Torah imprisoned by the Nazis during the war. It's a wonderfully sensitive story both in and for itself and as allegory.

Little Torah remembers its times of glory before the war,

and its humiliation during the war. Rescue comes unexpectedly, as does the trip from war-torn Europe to freedom in an American Hebrew school.

The joyous bonding between the young American children and the "old" little Torah graphically depicts hope, faith and generational continuity.

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Community youths do well in basketball

The Ottawa Jewish Community was well represented at the Capital Regions Basketball Finals which were held at Carleton University March 3.

In the Junior Finals five local boys participated as Nepean High defeated Sir Robert Borden in a close ball game. Mike Kronick and Alan Azuelos led Nepean with Ari Cherun and David Wright pivotal members of the championship team.

All four boys will be members of Ottawa's Junior Maccabiah team which will be participating in the North American Maccabiah Youth games in Detroit, Michigan this August.

Despite the loss, Eric Glube played an excellent game for Sir

Robert Borden. Glube is also a standout baseball player during the summer months.

The Senior Final pitted powerhouse Sir Robert Borden against the senior boys from Nepean High.

Young Derek Firth played for the winning Borden team which held off Nepean to take the championship. Next season, Firth could be a starter as J.C.C. Phys-ed staff member Brian Lee will be moving on the university ranks.

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REPORT TO INVESTORS CANADA-ISRAEL SECURITIES LIMITED

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NEWS RELEASE



Julius Briskin, Q.C., Executive Vice President, Canada-Israel Securities Limited and Michel Bélanger, Chairman of the Board, National Bank of Canada discuss plans for the National Corporate Initiative Dinner in honour of André Bérubé, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Bank of Canada.

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A total of \$69.5 million US in cash mobilized in 1989 for Israel's economic development in Canada, representing an increase of \$7 million, has been announced by the Israel Bond Organization.

Internationally, the Israel Bond Organization attained a new record of \$789 million US in 1989. This represents an increase of \$158 million which is 25% more than the 1988 results. The announcement of Canadian and global results was made by Melvyn A. Dobrin, National Canadian President, Thomas O. Hecht, Chairman of the Board and Julius Briskin, Q.C., National Vice President.

In their statement, the Bond leaders said: "In view of the political situation in the Middle East, this truly remarkable response by Jewish communities world-wide, as well as by banks and other non-Jewish sources, is the highest possible expression of confidence in Israel's economic future and its credibility in the financial markets."

Julius Briskin added: "The increased results in Jewish communities demonstrate again the continuing and unswerving partnership and unity of Jewish communities abroad with Israel and its people."

He continued: "We are duty bound to insure that the gates remain open for all Jews who come to Israel and that, through the Israel Bond program, world Jewry will be a strong partner in the enormous task of assuring jobs and housing in Israel for all the new arrivals."

He expressed his special gratitude: "to the hundreds of thousands of friends of Israel who are purchasers and holders of our various securities; to the thousands of volunteers in all our campaign communities for their tireless efforts; to the Rabbis and synagogue leaders who play such a key role in our efforts; and to our dedicated professional staff, which helped to organize this phenomenal 1989 response."

Julius Briskin also expressed the hope that the proceeds from Israel Bond sales, which are channelled to the Israel Government's Development Budget for the strengthening of the nation's infrastructure, "will help Israel move forward in its current economic recovery and to achieve new growth in all sectors of its economy in the coming year."

PURPOSE AND MISSION OF CANADA-ISRAEL SECURITIES LIMITED

The purpose of Canada-Israel Securities Limited (CIS) is to provide a steady source of investment capital, in the form of loans, to the State of Israel through the sale of Israel Bonds. Since its founding in 1953, CIS has provided capital used to develop and expand Israel's economy through the development of its infrastructure. Capital raised by CIS through the sale of Israel Bonds always has been earmarked for Israel's development budget.

An endeavour of this magnitude calls for the participation and involvement of all Jews and all friends of Israel. The pressing needs of the Jewish State have made CIS's mission of paramount importance: to bring together a viable organization of professionals and lay leaders capable of raising the capital needed to support development projects and to build Israel's future.

Since achieving statehood in 1948, Israel

has made remarkable economic strides. In the face of overwhelming adversity, the nation has developed an advanced, modern economy which rivals that of any in the world. The challenges and opportunities which confront Israel are enormous, but they are met with the help of Israel Bonds.

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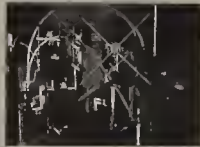
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Syrian "peace" hoax successful in fooling the U.S. media

Newspapers throughout the United States recently featured a story claiming that Syria is now prepared for a negotiated settlement with Israel, and that secret Syrian-Israeli contacts are now underway.

The news of Syria's new "moderation" made headlines — while Israel's denial of any contacts with Syria was either buried in the back pages or ignored altogether.

Several sources

The story, which first appeared in the British newspaper, *The Independent*, and was then distributed around the world by the Reuters News Agency, could have originated from any one of several sources: Arab propagandists trying to improve Syria's image in the West; Syrian military strategists trying to lull supporters of Israel into complacency; or even — according to Dr. Yossi Olmert of Tel Aviv University, a leading expert on Syria — "dissident Syrian elements" waging their own private struggle with Syria's rulers.

Not only did much of the U.S. media circulate the Syrian report, but they ignored a more revealing story from Syria, which had been published in the Israeli press just five days before the story about Syrian-Israeli contacts.

Attack Israel

The earlier story concerned a lead editorial published in the *Syrian Times*, an official mouthpiece for the Syrian government. The editorial urged the Arab states to form a joint army to attack Israel.

"The only language which the enemy can understand is that of force," the editorial thundered. "What has been taken by force can be restored by force."

To add insult to inaccuracy, a leading U.S. agency which had ignored the *Syrian Times* editorial subsequently published a report which blatantly distorted a belligerent speech that had been made by Syrian dictator Hafez Assad.

Excerpts from the speech were distributed in the U.S. on March 8 by the Knight-Ridder News Service, under the byline of correspondent Alfonso Chardy.

Called for holy war

In the speech, Assad called for "a long jihad," or holy war, against Israel.

Chardy quoted that remark, but surrounded it with interpretations that softened its impact — a journalistic technique known as "the sandwich."

First, Chardy asserted that the remark was "reminiscent of the early years of Syria's militant positions," as if Assad had not made such statements for many years, when, in fact, he makes them constantly.

Then, Chardy declared that Assad was "apparently using 'jihad' as a metaphor for not weakening the Arab struggle against Israel and not as a call for a new war."

While Alfonso Chardy was busy explaining away Hafez Assad's threats of war, he somehow missed an important news item about the Syrian regime.

Rafael Walden, the Israeli delegate to the United Nations Human Rights Commission, revealed in a speech recently that a number of Jews being held in Syrian prisons have been subjected to severe physical and mental torture, and in some cases have been crippled for life as a result.

When dictators in Central America plot war against their neighbours and authorize the

torture of innocent civilians, American journalists take off their kid gloves. Why do they have a double standard when it comes to the behavior of identical dictators in the Middle East?

Bertram Korn, Jr. is executive director of CAMERA, the Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting (Philadelphia).



Is There A Rabbi In The House?

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Federal grants cancelled

Plan lobby day to discuss day school funding

The following is excerpted from a letter received from Les Scheininger, national president, Canadian Jewish Congress.

As a result of the recent cancellation of Federal Heritage Language grants, Jewish day schools across Canada will suffer a funding shortfall of some \$500,000.

In announcing budget cuts

on February 20, 1990, the Minister of Finance made clear that \$46,000,000 over the next two years would be removed from the budgets of the Secretary of State and Multiculturalism and Citizenship.

In Multiculturalism and Citizenship, reductions of \$4,100,000 will take place immediately, thus eliminating

the cultural enrichment program, the program which provided for heritage-language instruction through federally accessed money across the country.

Although the impact will be felt strongly in the Jewish community, other cultural groups will also suffer.

In the last ten years, the program assisted approximately 150,000 children learning 60 languages in 1,556 community schools.

As a result, Canadian Jewish Congress has entered into an ad

hoc coalition with a number of other ethnic organizations that are affected by these budget reductions (the Canadian Polish Congress, the Chinese Canadian National Council, the Federation of Korean Associations, the German Canadian Congress, the Hellenic Canadian Congress, the National Congress of Italian Canadians, the Ukrainian Canadian Committee, and the United Council of Filipino Associations).

At a press conference held on

March 7, 1990, we announced that the presidents of each of these national organizations will be meeting soon in Ottawa for a "lobby day," at which time we plan to discuss this urgent matter.

I urge all Jewish community leaders to ensure that their communities are made aware of this problem.

Further, letters of concern from individual constituents to their MPs and to the Secretary of State for Multiculturalism and Citizenship, the Hon. Gerry Weiner, should be sent.

Name Laura Greenberg assistant controller

Gerry Koffman, executive director of the Jewish Community Council has announced the appointment of Laura Greenberg to the position of Assistant Controller.

Laura Greenberg known to most as a result of her long association with the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation, will be returning to her "roots".

She joined the Jewish Community Council in April 1980, on a part-time basis, as a bookkeeper to assist with accounting functions. In August of the same year she assumed full time status.

However, as time passed and the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation grew, Laura Greenberg found herself more involved in this area, handling all aspects of the Foundation.

In her new position Laura Greenberg will be responsible for all of the accounting for the United Jewish Appeal of Ottawa and the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation.

She brings to the position years of experience, having worked in the accounting field since her graduation from Cen-



Laura Greenberg
trial High School of Commerce in Toronto.

She received valuable training in her four years working with Martin K. Levinson on both audit and accounting functions.

Prior to joining the Jewish Community Council, she was employed for 7 years as the accountant for Mercury Reproductions.

The duties of the Ottawa Jewish Community Foundation formerly handled by Laura Greenberg, will now be assumed by Howard Goldberg.

N.Y., Prague museums sign pact

The signing of an historic, cooperative agreement between the Jewish Museum of Prague and New York's A Living Memorial to the Holocaust-Museum of Jewish Heritage was announced recently by Dr. David Altshuler, director of the Museum of Jewish Heritage.

Dr. Altshuler recently returned from Czechoslovakia where negotiations were concluded for a long term partnership between the two institutions.

"Clearly the events of recent months have opened up extraordinary opportunities for cooperation between our two museums," Dr. Altshuler said.

"We understand that the Jewish Museum in Prague is evaluating carefully its new status and the changed environment in which it now will function. At the same time, the Museum of Jewish Heritage is on the verge of starting construction as well as finalizing its exhibition and program plans."

Areas of cooperation in the agreement include long term loans of artifacts, photographs

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Touch Football Registration

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Celebration of Aging, April 19, 20, 21.

His Worship Mayor James A. Durrell and C.J.O.H. personality Max Keeping invite you to participate in the "Celebration of Aging" April 19 and 20, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and April 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Ottawa Congress Centre. The Celebration will be a fun-filled showcase of senior citizen talent from across the nation mixed with over 80 information exhibition booths. The Celebration will be geared to all ages and interests in an attempt to promote a look into the future!

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Olympiades des gens de carrière Le 3 juin 1990

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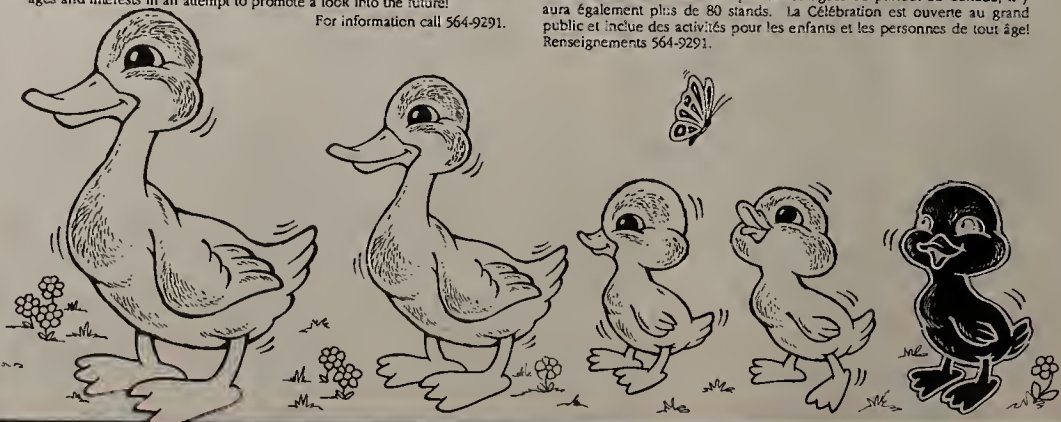
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Célébration du vieillissement, 18 au 21 avril 1990

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Service des loisirs et de la culture

The young state's finest hour

Israelis rising magnificently to Soviet influx

By Carl Alpert

Haifa — After many weeks and months of talk about imminent large scale immigration of Soviet Jewry, they are coming at last.

The flood gates have broken, and they are pouring into this country at an unprecedented rate — with over 100,000 expected this year.

Recent arrivals tell me that a wave of hysteria is overcoming Russian Jewry, in their great fear of a backlash against Jews (leading even to pogroms) should the political unrest in Eastern Europe result in any political upheaval within the Soviet Union itself.

At present the only restraining factor impeding the flood is the lack of transportation.

Trains and planes out of Moscow are booked up for months in advance.

There is talk of chartering large cruise ships.

Special flights

At least as of this writing, efforts to inaugurate special flights direct from Moscow to Israel have not yet been arranged, because of Soviet hindrance. Some believe this is the sop the Russians have thrown to the Arabs, who have been protesting the immigration at a whole.

At this end, Israelis are rising magnificently to the challenge.

Thousands have come forward to render volunteer services, seeking in every possible way to ease the absorption and integration of the newcomers.

Veteran families "adopt"

new immigrant families, on a one-to-one basis, introducing them into the new environment.

The newcomers have arrived with no more than their suitcases, and there is a need for basic equipment.

Some sent ahead crates of their larger personal belongings, which will arrive here many months later.

The authorities provide a bed and bed clothing, a table, a chair per person and a sum of money with which the immigrants can acquire other needs, including food.

Need for more

But there is great need for more furniture, toys, kitchenware, etc. Much of these are being contributed on a private basis by Israeli families.

No less important is the friendly smile, the welcoming hand, the hospitality, to let them know we are glad they are here.

Social, professional and business organizations are responding generously.

Israel's 9,000 physicians have formally decided that each will adopt a Russian family, and help ease them into the routine of life here.

Thousands of pensioned Israelis, enrolled in retiree organizations, have likewise offered their services.

Newspapers devote special corners almost daily to encourage the relationship.

Israelis who know Russian serve as interpreters for those who do not. A little Yiddish can help, a little English, or just the

language of gestures.

All the newcomers are studying Hebrew intensively.

Help in shopping, in apartment hunting, in looking for jobs, in Shabbat observance — toys for the children, home hospitality, tours of Israel, all are part of the volunteer program.

Everybody is eager to help, and in some instances, the number of requests to adopt a family exceeds the supply at a given moment.

The ground swell of popular volunteering has surged ahead of the ability and capacity of the official bureaucracy to "organize" it.

Civil service employees of the Ministry of Absorption, shaken out of their lethargy during the days of sparse immigration, have been overwhelmed, and have been demanding increased staff.

Warm friends

Many of the needs are of a type which can be met only by warm and understanding friends.

These immigrants have, through their entire lives, been reared in an atmosphere of state socialism, where everything was taken care of for them by the government and government clerks. Ambition and initiative were stifled.

In one case which came to my attention, a highly skilled physician, who somehow slipped through the volunteer network, sat in his room here, with his table, bed and chair, and waited for a job. Surely, he thought, the officials knew where he was, and when the time came, they would send for him and assign him to a post.

He had not even thought of making xerox copies of his medical credentials. He had to be led by the hand.

Fortunately, this is not true of all, and some have displayed a commendable degree of initiative in seeking jobs, apartments and other help.

In the day-to-day Israeli consciousness, the intifada and politics and other problems

have receded into second place.

There is a great realization of the need to welcome Soviet Jewry, and to make them feel at home.

For this, the Jewish state had been created.

How to help

The talk is not at all of how much Israel needs the immigrants, but of how much Israel can do to help them. And one of the heart-warming aspects is the degree to which new arrivals, some after only a few months in the country, come forward to lend of their already "rich experience" in aiding those who have followed.

A note from one of the Israeli volunteers: "This afternoon the doorbell rang. It was my Russian immigrant who had come straight from his Hebrew ulpan. Do you know what he wanted? He wanted to help me — to help in anything, no matter what. To help in the house, to repair, to clean. It was truly moving!"

Everybody who can has joined in the volunteer effort, industrialists, teachers, professors, secretaries,

workmen — everybody.

Said one veteran participant: "This is the spirit of 1948 again."

Some of the dozens of volunteer organizations which have mobilized for this purpose are the Israel Forum, Wizo, the Committee of 35, B'nai Brith, Emuna Women, Na'amat, the Zionist Forum and many others. This is Israel's finest hour!

Still many problems

To be sure, there are still a great many problems. Housing is running low, and new construction will be slow in catching up.

Jobs will have to be found for the newcomers, many of whom will have to undergo retraining into other fields.

Domestic unemployment is for the moment still high.

Yet there is an enormous public will and determination to succeed, combined with confidence that Jewish communities overseas will not let us down.

Reprinted from the *Winipeg Jewish Post and News*, March 7, 1990 edition.



Hillel Academy 6th graders present a Purim skit for fascinated pre-schoolers at the JCC Day Care Centre.

Week-long Purim party enjoyed by toddlers

While Jews around the world celebrated Purim for only two days, the Purim festivities at the JCC Day Care Centre spanned an entire week!

Children as young as 18 months listened to and sang Purim songs, made graggers from paper plates and rice and

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Bar-Ilan research team

Cytoscan: major breakthrough in cancer treatment

A major breakthrough in the fight against cancer has been made in Israel with the development of an instrument called Cytoscan, designed to detect cancer in its earliest stages.

It is universally acknowledged that the early detection and treatment of cancer may mean the difference between life and death for the victim.

The research team at Bar-Ilan University in Ramat Gan claims that Cytoscan can detect the most common types of cancer from a patient's blood sample and determine the type and location of the tumor.

Eight years ago

The project began over eight years ago as the doctoral thesis of Mordechai Deutsch, under the supervision of his thesis advisor, Professor Arye Weinreb, a physicist at Bar-Ilan and the Hebrew Universities. The team was later joined by Dr. Reuven Tirosh, a biophysicist at Bar-Ilan.

According to their research, Cytoscan can detect tumors in the lungs, skin, breast, and colon. It cannot detect leukemia (cancer of the blood) but only solid tumors. It has already been used to examine 1,000 patients and has detected cancer with an astonishing accuracy of over 97%.

At present, Cytoscan will be employed only to examine patients suspected of or known to have tumors which were previously detected by conventional means.

Screening device

The next step will be to use Cytoscan as a screening device for seemingly healthy patients.

Cytoscan combines advanced biological, optical, mechanical, and electronic technologies to create a system which can detect subtle changes in individual cells. In testing for cancer, it is the white blood cells (lymphocytes) which are examined.

In response to the presence of a tumor, the body produces a particular type of lymphocyte whose function is to attack and eliminate the tumor.

Unfortunately, in cancer patients this function is blocked by a mechanism which is still not fully understood.

Carry information

However, even though these lymphocytes are unable to attack the tumor, they carry information that enables them to recognize tumor cells.

Isolating these lymphocytes from the blood frees them from the blocking factors and, if they are subsequently exposed to a preparation made from tumor cells, there is a significant physiological response. This response is accompanied by a structural change inside the lymphocytes, which can be measured using a laser-based optical instrument.

Cytoscan permits the scanning of individual lymphocytes in a sample of white blood cells taken from the patient. The lymphocytes are examined before and after being treated with a tumor-cell preparation. Any change after treatment will indicate the presence of a tumor in the body.

Furthermore, Cytoscan can determine the number of lymphocytes in the sample sensitized to the tumor and the strength of their response to the tumor cell preparation.

This may, in the future, give an indication of the size and degree of maturity of the tumor.

At present there are three prototype Cytoscans in Israel, one of which was recently installed at Ichilov Hospital in Tel Aviv.

According to Professor Samario Haichek, head of the

Ichilov Oncology Institute, the Cytoscan will be used for screening known cancer patients before they undergo surgery, and after surgery and chemotherapy.

Financing for the project at Bar-Ilan University came from the National Patent Development Corp. (NPDC) of the United States and, over the past two years, from Israel Aircraft Industries (IAI). Nine million dollars have been invested in the project so far and patents

for Cytoscan have been registered in the United States and 17 other countries.

A subsidiary of IAI intends to manufacture and market 20 machines for sale to research institutes and hospitals all over the world in the coming year.

Only beginning

The implications and potential of Cytoscan are only beginning to be recognized.

Cytoscan may reduce or eliminate the need to perform dangerous biopsies (removal of tissue from an organ suspected of having a tumor) as well as

monitoring cancer patients to determine the effectiveness of treatment.

The possibility of employing Cytoscan as a cancer-screening device for all patients is already being explored.

Cytoscan's ability to separate, treat, and examine individual cells will open completely new avenues of research. It has been suggested that Cytoscan could be applied in the detection and treatment of viral diseases, including AIDS.

What seems certain is that a unique and versatile medical instrument has been created.



The hand in concert.

Klezmershepeilers given a roaring standing ovation

By Diane Koven Poriah
People, from pre-schoolers to a golden-agers and every age in between, swayed to the sounds of Klezmershepiel at a concert held at the JCC in March.

The hugely successful event, sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre and its Mamme Loshen Chevra, attracted well over 150 people, many of

whom took to the dance floor at the end of the performance. The singing and dancing could have gone on all night.

Amid cries for 'more!' and a standing ovation, the band bade the audience adieu and invited everyone to attend their upcoming concerts.

The program was filmed by Skyline Cablevision to be aired at a future date.

Seek witnesses to war crimes in WWII Poland

The United States Department of Justice has requested the assistance of the World Jewish Congress in locating witnesses to crimes committed by the Nazis and their collaborators in Poland during World War II.

The Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations (OSI) is responsible for investigating and prosecuting Nazi war criminals presently residing illegally in the United States.

OSI is currently investigating events which occurred in Schodnica and Drohobych, Poland, particularly during June and July of 1941.

Specifically, the OSI is seeking to locate survivors of Schodnica who have knowledge

of roundups and murders of Jews in and around Schodnica during June and July of 1941.

Anyone with knowledge of actions taken by Ukrainian police or other organized groups in Schodnica during 1941 and 1942 would also be of interest to OSI.

In addition, individuals born in the period 1920 through approximately 1925 who attended elementary school in Schodnica might be of assistance.

Individuals with any information that might be of assistance in this investigation are asked to contact: Mrs. Bessy Pupko, World Jewish Congress, 501 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, (212) 755-5770.

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Best wishes to Yvonne Litwick on our 26th wedding anniversary by Harvey Litwick and children.

Mazal Tov to Harvey and Yvonne Litwick on their anniversary by Ellen Litwick; and by Norton and Nina, Vicki and Earle and Sheila and Bob.

Birthday wishes to Monique Litwick by Ellen Litwick; and by Harvey and Yvonne Litwick and family.

IRVING AND ELLEN LITWICK FUND

In memory of Anne Coplan by Ellen Litwick.

In honour of Josh Weiss, Natick, Mass. on his 21st birthday by Harvey and Yvonne Litwick and family.

Best wishes to Ruth Vicki Weiss, Natick, Mass. on her special birthday by Rose Litwick; by Harvey and Yvonne Litwick and family; and by Irwin and Monique Litwick and family.

Mazal Tov to Dr. and Mrs. Norton Litwick on their 10th wedding anniversary by Rose Litwick; and by Harvey and Yvonne Litwick and family.

SAMUEL AND LEEMA MAGIDSON FUND

Mazal Tov to Roslyn and Arnie Kimmel on the engagement of Stanley Magidson to Ellen Polsky by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

JACOB MALOMET MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Charles Fried-

man, Mtl., father of Nikki Basuk by Diane and Alvin Malomet.

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Wishing continued good health to Cayla Baylin by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

ABRAM AND EDITH MOLOT MEMORIAL FUND

Mazal Tov to Lazar and Rivka Resnick on the engagement of their daughter Nili to Zvi Philipp by Maureen, Henry, Alex and Edie Molot.

Mazal Tov to Rhoda and Bert Bleviss on the engagement of their daughter Barbara to Shawn Marmer by Maureen, Henry, Alex and Edie Molot.

In memory of Victor Gould by Maureen, Henry, Alex and Edie Molot.

Mazal Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Brill, Cranston, R.I. on the engagement of Carrie to Marc Levine by Maureen, Henry, Alex and Edie Molot.

Mazal Tov to Gladys and Lou Swetsky, Fredericton, N.B. on the birth of a grandson by Maureen, Henry, Alex and Edie Molot.

Best wishes to Amnon Pasher for a speedy recovery by Maureen and Henry Molot.

Mazal Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Sol Molot on their son Russell's admission to the Bar by Maureen, Henry, Alex and Edie Molot.

JACK AND HONEY MONSON FUND

In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Goldie and Elliot Moraff.

Wishing continued good health to Beck Zel'kovitz by Sally Taller.

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In memory of Morley Bod-

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noff by Dorothy and Herl Nadojny.

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In observance of the Yartzheit of Max Nadojny by Sophie and Bert Koeng.

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NANCY AND LARRY PLEET FUND
In memory of Samuel Resnick, Toronto by Felice and Jeff Pleet.
In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Felice and Jeff Pleet.

BENJAMIN AND BESSIE POLOWIN MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to Gerry and Helen Polowin on becoming grandparents by Dena and Herb Gosewich.

JOHN RAICHMAN MEMORIAL FUND
Dorothy Raichman and family are deeply saddened by the recent loss of their dear friend Moe Shainbaum. They extend their deepest sympathy to Lottie and her family.

ETHEL RIVERS MEMORIAL FUND
Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Goldie Rivers by Evelyn and Irving Rivers.
Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Jen Shinder by Evelyn and Irving Rivers.

Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Lenke Grossman by Evelyn and Irving Rivers.
In memory of Moe Shainbaum by Evelyn and Irving Rivers.

In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Evelyn and Irving Rivers.

JACOB AND LEAH RIVERS MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to Evelyn and Irving Rivers on the birth of a new grandson, parents Joanne and Doug Kalman by Thelma Steinman.

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Mazal Tov to Shirley and Sam, Mtl. on their marriage by Dorothy and Leslie Martin.

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Mazal Tov to Rickie and Marty Saslove on the birth of their granddaughter Samantha Schwartz by Joan and Russell Kronick.

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In memory of a dear father of Dr. Phil Gold, Mtl. by Molly and Sol Sherman.

VERA AND SAM SCHWARTZ FUND
In memory of Charles, dear brother of Mary Montain by Vera and Sam Schwartz.
Wishing continued good health to George Montain by Vera and Sam Schwartz.
Mazal Tov to Sandy and Moe Segal on becoming grandparents of a beautiful granddaughter by Vera and Sam Schwartz.

MAURICE ANO GOLDIE SHABINSKY MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to Laya and Sol Shabinsky on the birth of a new granddaughter Rebecca Lauren Sherman by Simone and Arnell Goldberg; by Adele and Bernard Shinder; and by Joan and Russell Kronick.

HAROLO SHAFFER MEMORIAL FUND
In observance of the Yartzheit of a dearly beloved husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather Irving Shaffer by Brown, Howard, Frances and Ellen and Brian Wiseman.

In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear brother Irving Shaffer by Sheldon and Sonia Shaffer.
In memory of Victor Gould by Brown Shaffer.

ARNOLO SHINDER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Mazal Tov to Rhoda and Bert Blevin on the engagement of their daughter Barbara by Ann and Arnold Shinder.
In memory of Victor Gould by Ann and Arnold Shinder.
In memory of Dora Granats-tein, Mtl. by Adele and Bernard Shinder.

HARRY ANO SYLVIA SHINOER MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to Laya and Sol Shabinsky on the birth of their granddaughter by Ethel and David Malek.

Mazal Tov to Evelyn and Irving Rivers on the birth of a grandson by Ethel and David Malek.

In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Ethel and David Malek.
In memory of Dora Granats-tein, Mtl. by Ethel and David Malek.

ISRAEL AND JEN SHINOER FUNO
Birthday wishes to Jen Shinder by Libby and Stan Katz.
Wishing a speedy recovery to Jen Shinder by Bess and Casey Swedlove.

SOL AND ZELAINE SHINOER FUND
Mazal Tov to Laya and Sol Shabinsky on the birth of their granddaughter by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.

Mazal Tov to Evelyn and Irving Rivers on the birth of a grandson by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.

In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.

In memory of Dora Granats-tein, Mtl. by Sol and Zelaine Shinder.

ISRAEL AND REBECCA SHORE MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Dora Granats-tein, Mtl., mother of Marvin by Leonard, Jayson and Amanada Shore.

LINDA SILVERMAN MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Samuel Resnick, Toronto by Phyllis and Marvin Silverman.

LOUIS SLACK MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Moe Shainbaum by Sue and Sam Slack; and by Seymour and Joy Mender and family.

MOE ANO CHARLOTTE SLACK FUND
In observance of the Yartzheit of a beloved husband Moe Slack by Charlotte Slack.
In observance of the Yartzheit of a beloved father Moe Slack by Marlene Levine.

SLIPACOFF FAMILY FUNO
In memory of Moe Shainbaum by Rena and Charles Slipacoff.

JACK ANO LINDA SMITH FUNO
In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Jack, Linda and David Smith.

Mazal Tov to David Smith on his engagement to Cheryl Bidner by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

Mazal Tov to Jack and Linda Smith on the engagement of their son David to Cheryl Bidner by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

KALMAN AND SYLVIA SMITH FUNO
In memory of my dear brother Victor Gould by Sylvia Smith.
In memory of Victor Gould by Edith Sonken.

GUSTAVE AND ESTHER SOLMAN FUND
Happy birthday to my dear son Irving by Gustave Solman.
In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear brother Harry Solman by Gustave Solman.

In observance of the Yartzheit of a dear sister-in-law Bertha Solman by Gustave Solman.

SOVIET JEWRY FUNO
Mazal Tov to Mildred Drazin on her special birthday by Brona and Carl Rosen.

FREDA ANO PHIL SWEOKO MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to Claire and Irving Bercovitch on the engagement of their son Bruce to Eileen Sculnick, Mtl. by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko; and by Laura Greenberg.

Mazal Tov to Norma and Phil Lazear on the engagement of their daughter Susan by Elsa and Norman Swedko.

In memory of Helene Zbar Powers by Elsa and Norman Swedko.

In memory of Stuart Borovay, Fla. by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

In memory of Aaron Raskin, Edmonton by Elsa and Norman Swedko.

JAY B. TALLER MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Sally and Morton

Taller.

SAMUEL AND ANNE TALLER FUND
In memory of Victor Gould by Patricia and Howard Smolkin, Smiths Falls.

CLAIRE AND SAM TANNER MEMORIAL FUND
Wishing a r'fuah sh'lemah to Ruth Polowin by Lana and Stephen Tanner.
In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Lana and Stephen Tanner.

CHARLES AND RAE TAVEL MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Victor Gould by Sunny and John Tavel.
In memory of Dora Granats-tein, Mtl. by Sunny and John Tavel.

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In memory of Samuel Resnick, Toronto by Gail and Stephen Victor.

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Mazal Tov to Gladys and John Greenberg on the birth of their grandson Jordan Samuel Zunder by Dena and Herb Gosewich.

WASERMAN FAMILY MEMORIAL FUND
Mazal Tov to Pam and Allan Krett, Willowdale on the birth of their first granddaughter by Sadie and Ernie Wasserman and family.

Mazal Tov to Manny and Doreen Valer, Thornhill on the birth of their new granddaughter by Sadie and Ernie Wasserman and family.

In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Howard, Julia and Daniel Shapero; and by Sandy Shapero and Brian Moriarty.

HARRY AND RAE WEIDMAN MEMORIAL FUND
Birthday wishes to Anne

Taller by Roslyn, Myles, Jodi and Julia Taller.

Mazal Tov to Yetta Kleiner on the birth of a new granddaughter Lauren Saret by Roslyn, Myles, Jodi and Julia Taller.

HYMIE WHITZMAN MEMORIAL FUND
In observance of the Yartzheit of Hymie Whitzman by Norma Cameron, Halifax, N.S.

MORRIS ANO MARIETTE WOOLFSON FUND
Best wishes to Malca and Shmuel Feig on their 40th wedding anniversary by Roslyn and Gerry Snyder.

SAM ANO HELENE ZARET FUND
Best wishes to Moe Lesser on his special birthday by Helene Zaret.

CHAIM AND SELA ZARETSKY MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Morley Bodnoff by Sarah and Lou Satov.

SANDRA ANO SAM ZUNOER FUNO
Best wishes to Karen and Ian Zunder in their new home by Laura Greenberg.

Mazal Tov to Lillian and Mark Zunder on the birth of their grandson Jordan Samuel by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

In memory of Pessie Zunder by Laura, Mark and Missy Greenberg; by Doreen and Ariel Arnoni; by Shari and Alana Bodnoff; by Elsa, Norman, Peter and Stacey Swedko.

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Community Calendar

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Monday, April 9

Congregation Beth Shalom Community Seder, Assembly Hall JCC, 151 Chapel St., 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 11

Jewish Community Centre Yiddish Class; 881 Broadview Ave., 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 12

State of Israel Bonds Golda Meir Club Dinner, home of Ethel Taylor, 6:00 p.m.

Jewish Community Centre Bereaved Families of Ontario, Social Hall and Library JCC, 151 Chapel St., 7:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 18

Jewish Community Centre Yiddish Class, 881 Broadview Ave., 8:30 p.m.

Tikvah Chapter Hadassah WIZO Dream Analysis, 2881 Richmond Rd. #610, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 19

Jewish Community Centre Bereaved Families of Ontario, Social Hall and Library JCC, 151 Chapel St., 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Agudath Israel Congregation Adults for Lively Leisure Luncheon, 1400 Coldrey Ave., 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 22

Holocaust Memorial Committee Annual Yom Ha'Shoa Memorial Service, Jewish Community Cemetery, Bank St. S., 11:00 a.m.

Monday, April 23

Golden Age Club, Assembly Hall JCC, 151 Chapel St., 12:30 p.m.

Ottawa Friends of Peace Now Talk, Speaker: Yael Dayan, Assembly Hall JCC, 151 Chapel St., 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 24

50+ Drop-In Grand Opening, 50+ Drop-In Centre JCC, 151 Chapel St., 1:30 p.m.

Machzikei Hadas Sisterhood Meeting, Lower Social Hall, 2310 Virginia Dr., 8:00 p.m.

Jewish Social Services On Your Own Support Group, Library, JCC, 151 Chapel St., 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 25

Beth Shalom West Sisterhood Talk on Perennial Gardening, 15 Chartwell Ave., 8:00 p.m.

Ottawa — Amal Telethon, Regional Realty Building, 200 Catherine St., 7:00 p.m.

Jewish Community Centre Library Reading, Assembly Hall and Library JCC, 151 Chapel St., 8:00 p.m.

Agudath Israel Sisterhood Step Into Spring, Scarf Demonstration, 10:00 a.m.; Luncheon, Speaker: Doreen Keir, "Lifestyle Choices"; Fashion Show, 1400 Coldrey Ave.

Jewish Community Centre Yiddish Class, 881 Broadview Ave., 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 26

Jewish Community Centre Meeting for Bereaved Families of Ontario, Assembly Hall and Library JCC, 151 Chapel St., 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

United Jewish Appeal Women's Division Business and Professional, Film Show, 881 Broadview Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 29

Yom Ha'Azmaut, Agudath Israel, 1400 Coldrey Ave., 7:00 p.m.

Jewish Social Services 10th Anniversary, Museum of Man, 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Monday, April 30

Golden Age Club, Assembly Hall JCC, 151 Chapel St., 1:00 p.m.

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Bet Chavura, a new drop-in centre for seniors, will open on Tuesday, April 24 at 1:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Centre, 151 Chapel St.

The new facility replaces the 50+ Drop-In Centre. Co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre and the Jewish Social Services Agency, Bet Chavura will occupy the bright, airy Adult Lounge.

Guest speaker Jean Pigott, chairman of the National Capital Commission will cut the ribbon and Grey Jazz, will provide music from the big band era.

Under the baton of Earl Dupuis, Grey Jazz, a group of retired senior musicians associated with the Good Companions, has been playing together for many years. Their master of ceremonies, Bill Luxton, is known to Ottawans through his work at CJOH, as well as in community theatre.

Reuben Lightstone, principal dancer with the orchestra, will give a demonstration of



Jean Pigott

ballroom dancing.

The afternoon promises to be a happy and exciting occasion. Refreshments will be provided.

Bet Chavura will cater to the retired and semi-retired in the community. A new format is planned which includes a weekly aerobics class with Greg Richards, lunch and a special weekly program in the afternoon.

For information call Ricki Baker at 232-7306.

Shabbat Candlelighting

April 6 — 7:18 p.m.
April 13 — 7:27 p.m.
April 20 — 7:36 p.m.

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Condolences

Condolences are extended to the families of:

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Ben Fleisher, Mtl. (father of Reisa Glens)

David Goldwater, Mtl. (formerly of Ottawa)

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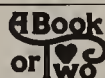
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